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TIENTSIN SEEKS ARMISTICE

Peace Offensive Mounts As Reds Step Up Attacks

GOLD YUAN LANDSLIDE

Nanking, January 8. A delegation of Tientsin City Councillors proceeded this afternoon to Yangliuching, 26 kilometres South West of Tientsin, to seek an armistice with the Communists. The delegates went with the approval of the local Nationalist authorities.

Govt Servant Union In HK Planned

A move has been started to establish Whitley Councils in the various Government departments in Hong Kong.

The Governor, the "Sunday Herald" understands, has agreed in principle to the formation of such government employee representative machinery.

The suggestion of machinery on the lines of Whitley Councils in Britain was made in March last year by Lord Listowel, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, when he visited Hong Kong.

The principal advocate for Whitley Councils here is Mr. L. Jackson of the Waterworks Department. He has already succeeded in amalgamating the former four civil servants associations into one central organisation—the Association of European Civil Servants of Hong Kong.

The former four organisations were the Association of Professional European Civil Servants, the Subsidary Officers Association, the Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff Association, and the Cadet Officers.

This central organisation, the constitution of which is still being prepared, will be registered as a trade union under the Colony's new Trade Union and Dispute Ordnance.

Already Registered

The Chinese civil servants of the Hong Kong Government have already registered their organisations—the Hong Kong Chinese Civil Servants Association—with the authorities concerned.

The "Sunday Herald" understands that in the event of Whitley Councils being established in Government departments, both European and non-European government employees will be included.

The European and non-European government employees, however, will continue to maintain separate trade union organisations.

In Hong Kong the type of Whitley machinery will probably be the same as that in Mauritius, where government employees unions and associations elect representatives to deal with problems affecting government workers.

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Cold Spell Is Here As Mercury Takes A Dive

Hands dug deep into overcoat pockets and heads shrank under tweed collars as the cold spell descended without warning upon Hong Kong.

But it has not been unusually cold in the last few days. "I think people notice the cold more because of the considerably warm December we have had," said Mr. L. Starbuck, Assistant Director of the Royal Observatory, in an interview with the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

The mean temperature registered during last month was 68.5 degrees. This broke the 50-year-old record of the highest mean for December—of 68.2, registered in 1890—by 0.3 degrees.

Speaking of winter conditions, Mr. Starbuck said that the North East monsoon, arising from the continental anticyclone over Asia, sweep along the coast of China, across the China Sea, reaching Hong Kong about October.

This North East monsoon is a cool wind of polar origin and arises

Nanking, January 8.

Meanwhile, a special plane, reliably reported to be on a new peace mission to Central China, left the Nationalist capital this morning as incoming despatches said that the Communist armies in North Anhwei were mounting their new offensive against the capital's outer defences, more than 100 miles to the North of Nanking.

The plane carried General Chang Chun, trusted ex-Premier and now important Nationalist Inner Cabinet Minister, General Wang Lin-chi and General Ku Chen-lin, Governors of Szechuan and Kweichow, respectively, and Mr. Hwang Shao-shung, one of the closest advisers of the Vice-President, General Li Tsung-jon.

The group was said to be flying first to Hankow to confer with General Pai Chung-hsi, Central China Commander, and then going on to Hunan to meet its Governor, General Chen Chen.

The mission's departure followed a late conference here last night between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. Sun Fo, Prime Minister, and the Inner Cabinet Ministers, General Chang Chun and Mr. Chang Chih-chung, representing the principal Kuomintang factions favouring peace.

Earlier yesterday, a letter had been delivered to the President from General Chen Chen, which was understood to suggest that the Generalissimo should step down from his Presidential post to enable peace talks with the Communists to begin.

General Pai Chung-hsi was also reported, with other Central China Nationalist Commanders, to favour General Chen Chen's proposal.

Favours Proposal

General Pai is regarded as a close friend of the Vice-President, who, it had been suggested, might head a caretaker administration in Nanking to make peace with the Communists if the President decided to leave for Taiwan.

At the same time, while endeavouring to further the peace plan, the special plane mission would probably seek to strengthen the Nationalist military schemes to evacuate their armies up the Yangtze river and to continue the war with the Communists if the latest peace overtures failed, observers here thought today.

Prices of rice and other necessities rose in sympathy to the record levels.—Reuter.

Taiwan Holiday?

Nanking, January 8. President Chiang Kai-shek is to leave the capital, possibly within the next three days, for Formosa on a vacation trip, a source close to the Government said today. He said he does not know whether the President would resign but said that during the reported vacation he would hand over the Nationalist regime to Vice-President Li Tsung-jen.—United Press.

102 Weather

At 0000 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the intense Siberian anti-cyclone still dominates SE Asia.

Today's Forecast: Moderate or fresh N wind strong in exposed places; fine.

Yesterday's Weather:

Maximum: 63.6 deg. F.

Minimum: 44.0 deg. F.

Sunshine: 5.6 hours.

Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—

2.0 mm.; 0.08 inch as against an average of 0.8 mm.; 0.03 inch.

Readings at:

1000 m.s.l.: 103.2 103.0 m.b.

Equal: 30.47 30.34 inches.

Rel. Humidity: 44 38 %

Dew Point: 30 39 deg. F.

Wind Direction: ENE NE

Wind Force: 3 9 knots.

Tides:—

Low: 1458 1.7

High: 1459 3.1

Low: 1000 3.1



The Hollywood film star, Miss Jinx Falkenberg, rides on a bag of airlift coal down the chute from a United States plane at Berlin's Tempelhof Airport. She is smiling and assisted by Bob Hope (right) and Irving Berlin (left). Behind them are German workers engaged in handling airlift supplies at Tempelhof. The famous trio was in Berlin on Christmas Day to entertain U.S. airlift personnel and American troops stationed in the German capital.—AP Photo.

Chinese In Indonesia Undergo Privations, Java Arrivals Reveal

(Exclusive to the "Sunday Herald")

Chinese nationals in the East Indies are living in a state of being between the devil and the deep blue sea, and are undergoing privations at both Indonesian and Dutch hands, arrivals from Java by the Dutch steamer Tasman, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

The prevailing feeling of helpless indignation at the impotency of their own Consular authorities and at the condescending tolerance of their existence by the Dutch has in the past few months gradually culminated in a general trek Northward—to Malaya, Canton, Amoy and Swatow.

Practically every ship leaving East Indies ports has been bringing hundreds of Chinese deck passengers. The number carried by each vessel is gradually increasing recently, partly because of the approaching New Year festivities and partly because of the local animosity between the Dutch and the Indonesians, which has resulted in the loss of lives, property and personal dignity to many Chinese.

A young student, domiciled in Sourabaya since he was born about 20 years ago, has the opinion that many a man in the street in Indonesia does not know what he is fighting for.

The ordinary Indonesian labourer by his racial characteristics is a contented man if given sufficient food and money to carry on for a day or two. Politics and foreign exploitation are still a vague notion to the teeming millions.

But incited by a minority, indoctrinated by some sources (he declined to identify), they are today fighting against a force which has been presented to them as one which is striving to deprive them of their land and property, he stated.

Most of the arrivals yesterday had booked their passage before the recent "police action" of the Dutch in Indonesia. Some of them are visiting their native villages for the New Year holidays to pay the customary respects at their ancestors' graves.

Resentment

Many of the arrivals express their resentment at the condescending tolerance of the Chinese population by the Dutch. A veteran farmer said resignedly: "The natives terrorise us, but the Dutch demoralise us. Might as well go home even, though our brethren are killing each other in China."

High Jinx

BRITISH FORCE SENT TO TRANSJORDAN PORT

London, January 8.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that Britain had decided to send a British force to Akaba because the Transjordan Government has faithfully fulfilled all its obligations under both the 1946 Anglo-Transjordan alliance and also the revised Anglo-Transjordan treaty of 1948.

The spokesman refused to disclose the size of the British force sent to protect Akaba. He stated, however, that no reinforcements had been sent to other points in the Middle East, either to RAF units stationed at Amman, capital of Transjordan, under the 1948 alliance, or to the British troops in the Canal zone of Egypt, under the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian alliance.

Major War Games In Atlantic

Washington, January 8.

New tests of the Navy's submarines and anti-submarine weapons are expected to develop in the biggest East Coast war games to date.

Manoeuvring in the Caribbean and Western Atlantic area will be approximately 100 warships, ranging from carriers and a 45,000-ton battleship to amphibious attack landing vessels. Thirty-five thousand men will man the ships, planes and the Army and Marine units in the operations leading to an assault on an "enemy" island at Puerto Rico. The six-week exercise will open on February 14.

Defence against the big and fast moving striking force will be built around aircraft and submarines. Thus the Caribbean exercises, insofar as the underwater warfare phase is concerned, will be an extension of tests made during similar manoeuvres last autumn in the North Atlantic and at Argentine. Newfoundland.

He also denied that any arms or military equipment had been supplied to Arab governments during the period of the Palestine arms embargo, imposed by the Security Council.

Supplies for the British forces stationed in the Middle East have been despatched in the normal way.

The Foreign Office spokesman said that the Palestine issue was a cause of grave concern to the British Government. He pointed to what he called the unprovoked Jewish aggression against the Arab areas of Palestine just before Christmas and to the subsequent Jewish evidence that Jewish forces were still inside the Egyptian frontier.

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Diplomatic quarters in London believe that Transjordan's decision to invoke her treaty with Britain greatly complicates the prospect of direct negotiations with Israel and the Arab states for a permanent settlement.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes: It is an open secret that Israel hopes to extend the principle of direct negotiations with the Arab Government to Transjordan, the Lebanon and eventually Iraq.

It has been a habit in Jewish quarters for some time to contrast the intransigent attitudes of the Egyptians with the reasonable behaviour of the Transjordan Government, who have preserved an effective cease-fire on the sector of the front held by the Arab Legion and have held discussions on a military level about conditions in Jerusalem.

There can be no doubt that the Transjordan decision to invoke the treaty with Britain and the movement of British troops to the Gulf of Suez will render much more difficult the Jewish attempts to seek a direct settlement with Transjordan.—Reuter.

T.V. Soong Keeps Mum

Canton, January 8.

Sources close to Dr. T. V. Soong report that since his return from his recent Nanking visit he has kept strict silence on what was discussed when he saw Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other leading personalities in the Chinese capital.

However, Dr. Soong is reported to have had a busy round of conferences with local military chiefs and it is believed that these talks are connected with making Kwangtung the final Nationalist stronghold should the present peace offensive break down and the Communists advance further in North and Central China.

It is also believed that much is being done here in the training and re-equipping of old and newly recruited armies not only for the purpose of maintaining law and order in Kwangtung Province but also in the event of an eventual Southern counter-offensive against the Reds becoming necessary.—Reuter.

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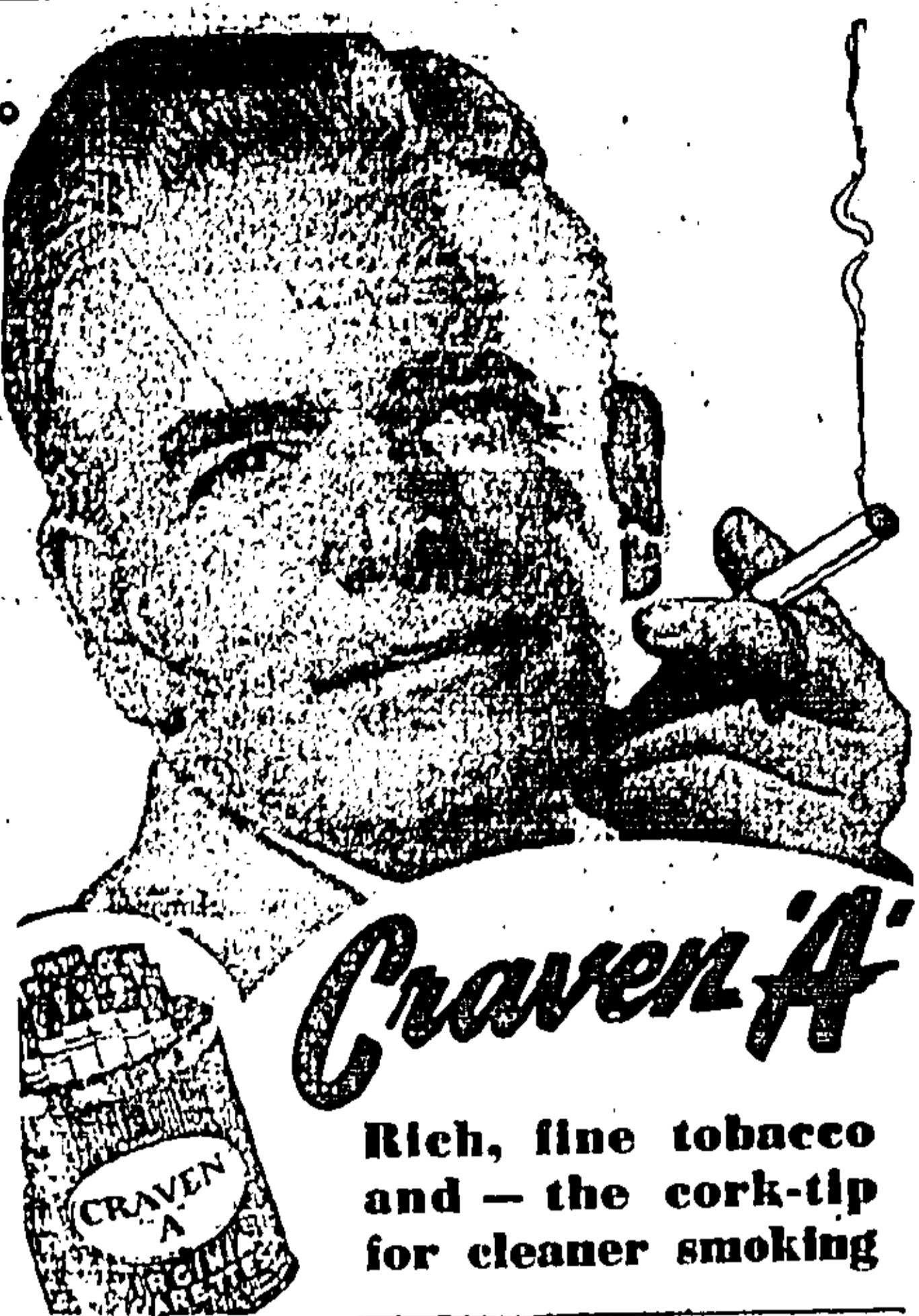
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Imports Exceed Exports In Colony During 1948

Hong Kong's imports during the first 11 months of last year exceeded the total exports during the same period by HK\$421,263,362 in declared value, according to official statistics. Total imports for the period under review amounted to HK\$1,819,289,869 as compared with HK\$1,372,996,042 during the corresponding period in 1947.

Exports during the first 11 months of 1948 totalled HK\$1,389,026,507 as compared with HK\$1,091,764,040 in the corresponding period of 1947.

GOVT SERVANT UNION IN HK PLANNED

(Continued from Page 1).

There is also a likelihood that Hong Kong's central Whitley Council will be affiliated with the National Whitley Council in Eng-

land. Main purpose of Whitley Councils is to bring under notice and discussion between the administration and the service the grievances and problems which affect civil servants.

In September 1948 when addressing the first of a series of meetings of representatives of the Colonial Servants Associations in London, Sir Charles Jeffries, representing the Secretary of State welcomed machinery on the Whitley line in the Colonies.

Consultation Machinery

He said then that the Secretary of State was in favour of developing machinery for consultation between the Colonial Government and their civil servants on the lines of Whitley Councils. He added that while it would not be possible for the Secretary of State to undertake to negotiate directly with any central organisation that might be set up, he thought that such an organisation might play a very useful part in the relationship between the Colonial Office and the Colonial service and the Associations in the Colonies.

The Colonial Office, he said, could gladly give any practical assistance in establishing a central organisation for these purposes.

The Whitley council originated during the 1944-48 war when the United Kingdom Government were obliged to give considerable attention to the problem of settling trade disputes.

In 1948 the First Cabinet Committee on Reconstruction appointed a sub-committee to make suggestions for securing a permanent improvement in the relations between employers and employees.

Its official title was the Committee on Relations between Employers and Employees. It was under the chairmanship of the Right Honourable J. H. Whitley and became widely known through the association of the Chairman, as the Whitley Committee.

Talks between the taxicab companies and their old drivers for a settlement of their dispute again ended in stalemate yesterday.

It is understood the taxicab companies made no concession on the question of the number of old drivers they would take back.

The talks will be resumed to-

morrow when it is expected a final decision would be reached one way or the other.

Some 200 old drivers who heard a report made to them by their representatives at a mass meeting last night expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of progress in the negotiations.

Some called for an open rupture if the employers still refused to make concession on the question of full reinstatement of all old drivers.

The police had not seized such a large quantity of opium for quite a considerable time, said Detective Sub-Inspector C. C. Askew, when he conducted the prosecution against Ho Muk and Chan Sam, master and mistress of the boat on the charge of possession of opium before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

The two were sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment each.

Defendant informed the court that he thought the matter had been amicably settled out of court but this was denied by complainant.

Raw Opium Found Aboard Boat

Owing to a statement by de-

fendant that the matter had been settled outside of the Colony, a claim emphatically denied by the complainant in a malicious damage case, Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday ordered the hearing to be adjourned to Tuesday next.

The case concerned Li Pook

and 37, widow, charged with

causing a serious damage to a cer-

tain document on January 1 at

the Central Market.

According to Inspector H. M. Moran, stall No. 103 at the Central Market was registered in the name of Yue King and Wu Koon.

Yue King and Li Yuk signed

an agreement whereby the latter

was to take over the management

of the stall.

Li Yuk, one of the signatories

subsequently died and his widow

complainant, took over control

of the stall.

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Central yesterday.

MALAYA EXPORTS

Singapore, January 7.

Malaya exported more than

one million dollars worth of

rubber and tin in 1948, despite the

insurmountable difficulties in the

country.

In 1948, Malaya exported 970,

172 tons of rubber, compared with

113,637 tons in 1947, and 47,194

tons in 1946.

The United Kingdom took 173,

160 tons of Malayan rubber, the

United States 371,391 tons and

Russia 103,393 tons. — Reuters.

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Kowloon Bus Company To Issue Monthly Tickets

Monthly tickets for adults, and bound books of tickets for scholars, will be issued from February 1. Mr. S. T. Louey, General Manager of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., told a "Sunday Herald" reporter yesterday.

The monthly passes, valid for all city routes (that is, routes 1 to 13), will be \$20 each, while students' tickets have been tentatively fixed at \$8 a book. Both these rates are double those ruling before the war.

Health Law Offenders In December

In December, 660 persons were arrested and charged by Sanitary Department personnel for offences under the Summary Offences Ordinance.

Most of the charges were in connection with the dumping of refuse and obeying calls of nature in public places. According to an official statement yesterday,

to prosecute under the statement, many Hong Kong residents have no civic spirit and are not in the least interested in the up-keeping and cleaning of the city, and the statement. Such leniency in the face of repeated warnings issued in connection with the services, and even after repeated notices, allow their employees to repeat their offence.

Mac-Strat are taking a more serious view of the offence and the penalties are gradually being increased, it was added.

Police are reported as warning hawkers and peddler hawkers to move to a new, better-situated, location to provide proper dustbins.

Keen in this respect is the bus service, which will be soon time before the becomes evident owing to the delay in the handing of cases.

Householders and shopkeepers in their own interest are urged to provide themselves with dustbins of a proper type. In case of difficulty in obtaining supplies, application may be made to the District Health Offices, concluded the statement.

Refugees

Today

United Service of Christian Witnesses, St. John's Cathedral, and St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.

Classical Concert, Toe H Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.35 p.m.

Nativity Play by children of Talpo Orphanage, St. Andrew's Church, 7.45 p.m.

Church Parade by St. John Ambulance and Brigade, St. John's Cathedral, 10 a.m.

HK Art Club sketching class in New Territories, assembled at Kowloon Star Ferry, 10.30 a.m.

Polo and Hunt Club meet, at Mr. Moller's Stables, Fanling, 11 a.m.

Talk on "Up the Caribbean Highway" by Mrs. P. M. Barrett, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

Philippines Club-Lawn Bowls Closing Day, King's Park, 2 p.m.

Korean team vs. Combined HK Chinese, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Whist Drive, European YMCA, Lounge, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY
HK Rotary Club luncheon talk on "The Order of St. John" by Colonel Sir James Sleeman, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

HK Football Association Council meeting, Prince's Bldg., 5.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Toe H Club meeting, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Rd., St. John Ambulance Brigade Hall, HK Hotel.

HK Council of Women, general meeting, YWCA, Duddell St., 5.15 p.m., Mr. J. B. Dorow on "Community Chest".

Toastmaster's Night (F. E. Skinner), European YMCA, 8.45 p.m.

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Wedding At St. John's



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Hewitt, snapped outside St. John's Cathedral, as they left the church after their wedding yesterday afternoon.

Two Weddings Held At St. John's

At St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, Miss Marie Antoinette Francoise Dubois became the bride of Mr. Gerald M. Hewitt.

Miss Dubois, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dubois, entered the Church on the arm of her father, wore a dress of white Moire with veil, gloves and shoes to match, and carried a bouquet of white ladiolill.

The bride was attended by Miss Josette Godin and Miss Joy Begon, as bridesmaids, with the Misses Schatz as flower girls.

The duty of best man was performed by Mr. Michael S. Douglas, The Very Reverend Dean A.P. was officiated.

A reception was held later at the Roof Garden, Peig Kong Hotel, and the honeymoon will be spent at Macao.

The Very Reverend Dean A.P. officiated at the wedding between Mr. Peter Pike and Miss Sheila Reimer at the St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon.

The bride's dress was of white silk with gloves and shoes to match. She carried a bouquet of white ladiolill.

She was attended by Miss Jennifer Gawler as Bridesmaid, Miss Patricia Sturges as flower girl and Master Sturges as page boy.

BRITAIN'S BEST CUSTOMER

London, January 8. Australia is Britain's best customer for motorcars. The U.S. figures show that Aus. buys 39,218 cars during the first nine months of last year while the U.S. bought 15,840. Associated Press.

BEAUTY SALON

Lane Crawford executives yesterday welcomed an appreciative group of the Colony's fashion leaders to a preview of the new Elizabeth Arden beauty salon, which is open to the public tomorrow.

Mr. Sheldagh Norman, late of the Elizabeth Arden Salon in London, successor to the Hong Kong salon's manageress, was present.

Guests were shown through the reception room and the attractive "treatment" room, both done in modern motif with a pink and blue colour scheme effectively carried out.

Banished for life in January last year, Lam Pak, aged 20, returned to the Colony and was arrested. At Central yesterday, Mr. Hin-shing Lo sentenced him to a year's imprisonment and ordered him to be re-banished.

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More Rainfall In Hong Kong During 1948 Than Average

Hong Kong's rainfall last year was 13.48 inches more than the average, according to an official statement yesterday by the Director of the Royal Observatory.

Mr. G. S. P. Heywood added that the year was also notable for certain extremes of temperature. Sustained gales were recorded on two occasions and the Colony was threatened by typhoons twice in July and twice in September.

The Director's statement follows:

By the middle of April the deficiency of rainfall, which had continued since October, 1947, assumed serious proportions; rainfall was towards the end of April in June, during which month the total was somewhat above the average.

In July and September the monthly normals were exceeded by 8.8 inches and 12.8 inches, respectively. So great was the excess that despite a deficiency of rain during the other months of the year the total annual rainfall was 13.48 inches more than the average.

The year was notable for certain extremes of temperature. On January 24 a sudden cold spell began, the temperature falling to 33°F during the day and almost certainly reaching freezing point or below on the higher ground in the Colony, as glazed frost was found on the hills near Tsim Sha Tsui.

In March during a spell of six consecutive days when the maximum temperature was more than 80°F, the previous highest March temperature (69.1°F in 1939) was exceeded on March 12 and 13, a new record of 84.3°F was established.

High Temperatures

Again in May high temperatures occurred. From May 21 to the 26th maximum temperatures were more than 90°F, and the previous May maximum (91.5°F in 1908) was exceeded on three occasions, the highest being 91.7°F on May 23.

Unusually warm weather was experienced in December, the mean temperature of 66.5°F for the month was the highest on record. On the whole the year was warmer than normal with a mean temperature of 73.0°F, just below the average of 71.0°F. The highest temperatures recorded were 92.1°F on September 1 and 2 and the lowest 38.8°F on January 26.

The Colony was affected with sustained gales on two occasions—July 27 for a period of seven hours, and on September 3 for 14 hours, the maximum hourly wind speed being 46 knots on September 3, with a maximum gust of 75 knots from East-South-East 5:20 a.m.

On four occasions, Hong Kong was seriously threatened by typhoons, twice in July and twice in September. It was on July 27 that one storm, fortunately not very large, passed inland about 20 miles East of the Colony.

The total duration of sunshine during the year was 85.9 hours below normal.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Commander and Mrs. A. Abbott, Mrs. A. H. Adams, Mrs. P. Liggin, Mrs. G. Curley, Mrs. W. E. Soutlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wilson, Mrs. D. G. Old, Mrs. L. Krutson, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Crittall, Messrs. A. N. Bish, M. M. Lurdner, A. E. Huchow, W. R. Morris, O. Kiddal, and F. B. Bessac.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. V. Levy, Mrs. V. K. Walker, Mrs. M. C. Walsh, Messrs. L. T. Williams, F. Bierl, D. C. Reece, T. Adda-Martin and F. Gansdoss.

Mr. Otto Kildal, Norwegian Consul General in Shanghai, left Hong Kong yesterday by plane for Oslo to become Director of General Affairs in the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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Planes were stationary at HK\$7.70 a 100.

Tickets were unchanged at HK\$23.10 a 100.

HK Gilders opened at HK\$34.10 a 100, and was unchanged throughout the day.

Sterling and Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$15.25 and HK\$12.03 respectively.

Money Market

Gold, continuing its advance, yesterday reached HK\$32.50 a tael, after opening at HK\$30.12½. It closed at \$502.

U.S. dollars made a further climb to HK\$38.08, a compare with \$5.04½ on Friday.

Gold Yuan was sold for Hong Kong delivery at 4.13 cents, for Canton remittances at 2.975 cents and for Shanghai remittances at 2.35 cents.

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Alleged Extortion By Constable

As a result of a report made to the police by an unlicensed fish hawk, alleging extortion and assault, Police Constable 1462 Yu Ting-chuk, aged 29, was brought before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday on charges of demanding money with menaces and conspiracy.

Detective Inspector C. Dowman conducted the prosecution, accused was represented by Mr. C. A. S. Run.

The alleged victim of extortion, Cheung Hin, was a hawk who worked as his trade at the junction of Cheung Sha Wan Road and Poplar Street. Among the many collectors of protection money, he said, was one known as Monkey Sam. On the afternoon of November 27, this man came to his stall and demanded the usual payment of HK\$1 for the privilege of hawking in the afternoon.

As business was not very prosperous that day, Cheung offered to pay 70 cents. Monkey Sam refused to reduce the price and walked away. Soon afterwards, he returned and repeated his demand. This time Cheung agreed to pay 80 cents, but Monkey Sam still insisted on having his dollar.

The third time he came back with a receipt and pointed Cheung out to the policeman as the only hawk who wanted a reduction. Cheung pleaded, saying "What is 20 cents one way or the other?" The only reply he received from Monkey Sam was a kick.

"Either you pay your dollar, or you shan't be allowed to hawk," accused was alleged to have said.

After the prosecution rested the care for the Crown, counsel for the defence admitted that there was no evidence of demanding with intent to steal and the only evidence of conspiracy was given by accomplices. Hence the defence had no case to answer.

The care was adjourned to January 13.

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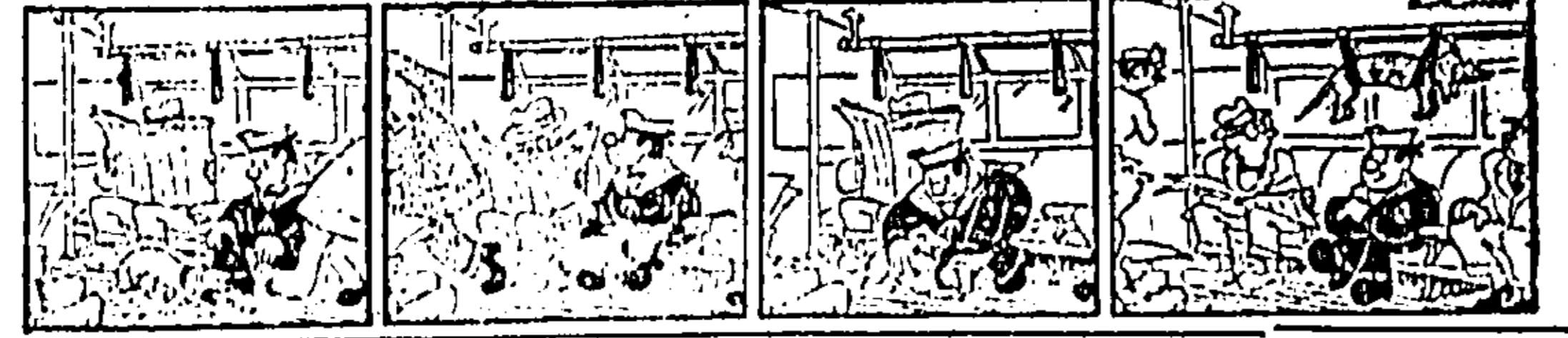
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The attitude of the Western Allies toward conquered Japan has changed noticeably in recent months.

This is because of the increasing intensity of the "cold war" between Russia and her satellites and the Democratic nations led by the United States and Great Britain.

The changes have been apparent to all who follow developments in this country. They have changed step by step from the trifling Report which established the American thesis that Japan's ability to pay reparations is definitely limited to recent pronouncements in Washington and Tokyo that Nippon must be made considerably self-sufficient at the earliest possible date.

The attitude of the Western Allies is that Japan must be made a bulwark against Communism in North Eastern Asia and that the Japanese people must be given a chance to redeem themselves and win a place of respect in the eyes of the world.

The Russians have opposed the American programme as best they could, using the Allied

Council for Japan as a sounding board. Typical of their efforts, is the chief of the Soviet Mission in Japan, Lieutenant-General Kuzma Derevyanko, attempted to establish, at the Council's meeting on January 5, a thesis that the Japanese police force secretly is being expanded into "an army."

Russian Efforts

Earlier, the Russians had asserted that the creation of a small Japanese coast guard was establishment of the old Imperial navy.

The Russians have done everything they could to encourage Communist control of the Japanese labour movement and hamper various measures attempted by the Japanese government to prevent this control.

Russian propaganda has followed the line that the Western imperialist powers, led by the United States, are plotting a war against the Soviet Union and that they plan to rearm Japan as an ally to fight with them in the coming struggle.

To this the American spokesman have retorted that the Russians must have a guilty conscience or they would not harbour such suspicions. They have pointed out repeatedly that Moscow has violated its solemn pledge by holding hundreds of thousands of Japanese war prisoners under conditions of slave labour, and that the Soviet Mission in Japan has shown more interest in Communistic control and regimentation than it has in any practical measure for the welfare of the Japanese people.

The Motives

The Russians have been particularly incensed at suggestions made by Lieutenant-General Robert L. Eichelberger, former Commander of the U.S. 8th Army in Japan, in recent speeches in the United States that the Japanese police force be enlarged and given adequate arms to preserve order throughout the country in the event of need.

It is a fact that the present Japanese force which is armed with only a few pistols,

would be utterly incapable of protecting the country against Communist-inspired plotting. If the American occupation forces were withdrawn, as American commentators here repeatedly have pointed out.

Americans here assert Russia is opposing the economic reconstruction of Japan for number of motives. One of them is to maintain Japan as a continuing financial drain upon the United States, thus weakening the American ability to give financial assistance to other nations which are attempting to save themselves from Communism.

Military Value

Another is to prevent Japan from acquiring industrial establishment which would be of use to the Western nations in the event of war.

The third is a desire to encourage everything that would tend toward chaotic conditions in this country which would speed the people toward Communism.

In the opinion of the most impartial observers here none of the Western Allies envisages the rearming of Japan in any way.

They will be well content if Japan can be made merely self-sufficient and kept outside the Communist lineup. From the military point of view, of course, if war should come, Japan's vast supply of trained manpower would be of value and undoubtedly would be utilized in one way or another. —United Press.

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10.30 a.m.—Programme Summary.
10.30 a.m.—London Radio Orchestra conducted by Denis Wright (BBC) (Relay).

11.00 a.m.—Universal Week of Prayer Relay of the Interdenominational Service from St. Andrews Church, Piccadilly; The Rev. G. N. Stevenson, M.A.

12.00 p.m.—London Studio Melodrama (BBC).

12.30 p.m.—Sports Results and Daily Programme Summary.

12.45 p.m.—Light Variety with the RAF Dance Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—Operetta in Brief with Herbert Grön (Tenor) & Margaret Silesky.

11.15 p.m.—News Weather Report and Announcements.

11.30 p.m.—British Interlude.

11.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

5.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.00 p.m.—Weekly News Letter (London Relay).

6.15 p.m.—"Picture Parade" "Oliver Twist" by Charles Dickens (BBC).

6.15 p.m.—Pan American.

7.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).

7.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A review of the Week's Programmes (Studio).

7.30 p.m.—The Next Coward Programme.

8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

8.10 p.m.—"Panorama" (Studio).

8.15 p.m.—"ITMA" with Tommy Handley (London Relay).

9.45 p.m.—The University Programme Law No. 7: "Public International Law" by Professor J. L. Brierley (BBC).

9.05 p.m.—Symphony Concert (Handel: Water Music Suite . . . The Halle Orchestra, Listi, Gatti, in the soloist Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Sibelius: Tapiola, Op. 112 (Symphonic Poem) . . . Boston Sym. Orch.)

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay)—Weather Report.

10.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert (Copell: Tchaikovsky Concerto in D Major . . . Heifetz (Violin) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra, Prokofieff: Classical Symphony in D Major . . . Boston Sym. Orch.)

11.00 p.m.—Epilogue conducted by the Rev. Clifford Davies (Studio).

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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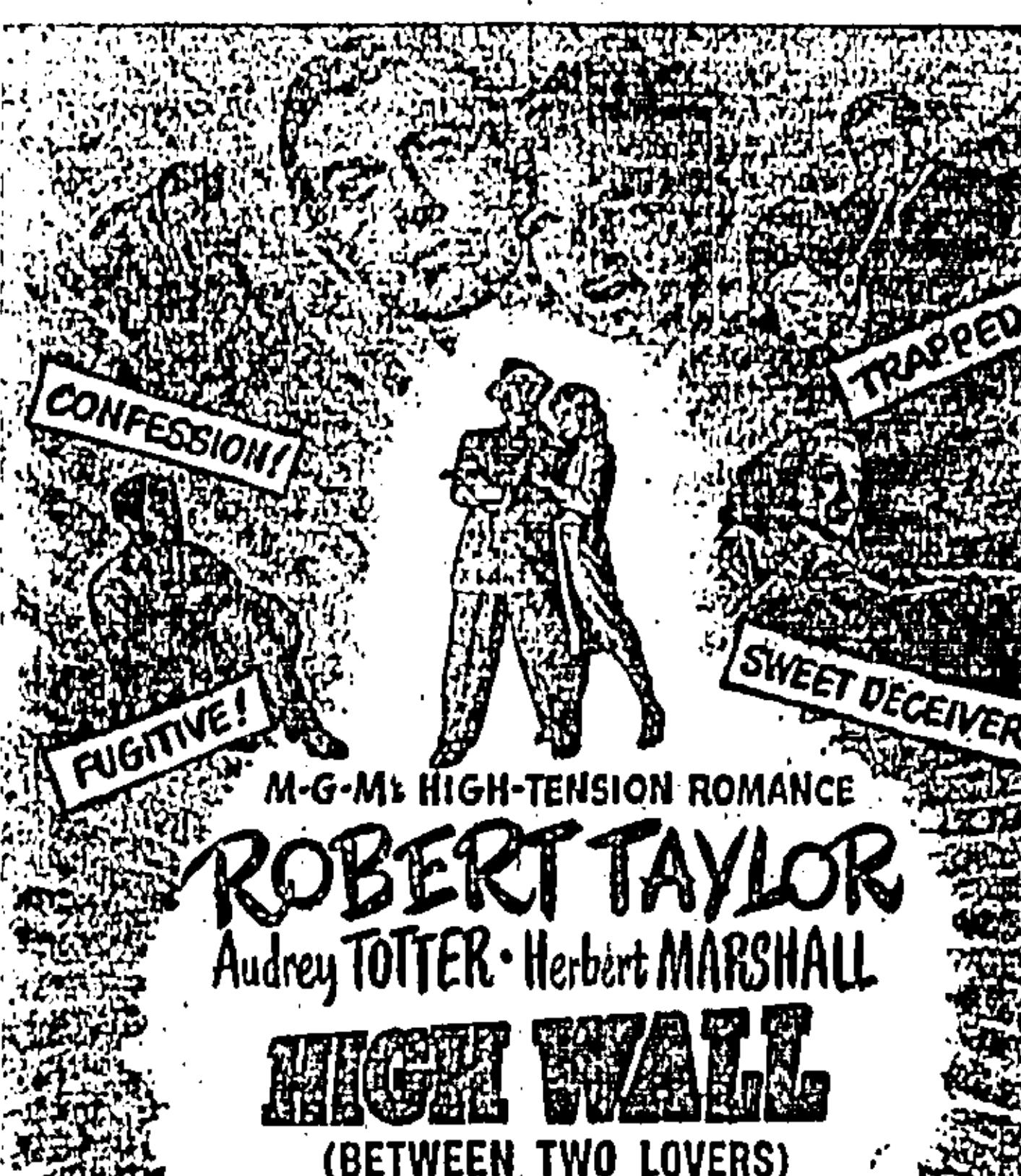
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I examined the literature:

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"Well," I said, "thank you very much, I'll certainly look in."

I arrived outside the Suffolk galleries at 5.29 p.m., to find that they were the headquarters of the Royal Society of British Artists. I looked at the invitation again. My invitation appeared to be organised by the Institute of Contemporary Arts.

I leaned against a lamp-post for a while, wondering if the Royal Society of British Arts could be the same thing as the Institute of Contemporary Arts, and keeping a close eye on the entrance to the gallery to see if any artists, British or contemporary, might be stopping in.

At 5.35 p.m. I decided that they must all be inside already, and probably more than half-way through the refreshments.

I hurried up the stairs to be checked at the door by a beat young man in a black coat. I gave him my invitation.

A number of pictures were hung round the walls. I started at the end nearest the door.

A few minutes later I decided that something must be wrong.

These pictures, while they might have been contemporary, were certainly neither outstandingly primitive nor surprisingly modern. About the 1/3 of "Clytemnestra in a Pot" of "Fishing Boats at St. Ives."

"I'm representing this gentleman," I said. "He couldn't come in myself."

We looked at one another evenly for a moment. I thought I'd better do a bit more.

"I write a sort of thing for a newspaper," I said. "I thought perhaps I might be able to do something in the exhibition."

"The window's up," he said. "I suppose you would like some of them?"

He handed me a sheet of typewritten paper, and then another and another and another.

I walked through into the gallery. There were only four or five people there, including a poet with a briefcase whom I'd once seen in the distance in the B.B.C. canteen.

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I had a bath at the Institute, the first sheet said: "The Institute of Contemporary Arts—Its Background, Purpose, Management, and Ultimate Aims."

The ultimate aim, I discovered, was "to co-ordinate the arts of our time and encourage by every means the development of modern techniques."

No harm in that. No harm at all. I'd just begun on the second sheet: "A bronze statue by Jacques Lepeltier, eight feet high, to be erected in Oxford-square, on a bombed site next to the house, to draw attention to the exhibition—when someone said, 'Hello—what are you doing here?'

I turned round, and it was Lee Miller, the intrepid London photographer.

"Good evening," I said. "I don't know. How about you?"

"My husband," said Miss Miller, "is one of the organisers of the exhibition."

I examined the literature again.

"I saw her," I told her. "The managing committee consists of Mr. Edward Clark, Mr. E. C. Gregson, Mr. Roland Penrose, and Mr. Peter Watson. Which of them to you claim?"

"Penrose," said Miss Miller. "Roland Penrose."

We examined one another's faces for a while, wondering, I suppose, what would crop up next.

"Have you seen the photographs?" said Miss Miller in the end.

"Only when a lot of chrysanthemums in pots."

"Oh," said Miss Miller, "the lectures. They have nothing to do with us. We've just hired the gallery."

The place was fairly full by now. Half the guests were going from picture to picture, looking a little puzzled, I thought. And the laugh (in th.m., a. any rate, "Well," I said, "let's look at the photographs."

My impression was that they were probably some of hers.

At the far end of the room were several large sheets of card-board propped up on chairs. Neatly glued to the cardboards were a number of formal museum-type photographs of South Sea Island natives, cave drawings, and primitive sculpture, mixed up with photographs of the work of more modern artists.

"We're showing all the originals," explained Miss Miller, "in the Academy Hall—in Oxford-street. By the way, are you staying on for the concert—twelve-tonight?"

At that moment there was an outcry from the inner room.

"Oh, good," exclaimed Miss Miller, "my glasses have come."

While we were dealing with the etchings, Mr. Penrose sprang into a sofa, and confirmed the fact that 150 primitive works and 2 modern oils would be on view in the Academy Hall—in juxtaposition just about for the first time in history.

Suddenly I heard a few muffled sounds just behind me. I looked round, and there was a lady wading her way through a line of decorated biscuits.

"I'm awfully sorry," she whispered, "but I have to give a lecture on child psychology at half-past seven, and if I don't go to bed now, I'll be a bore always, always."

"Please go on," I said, "this is turning out to be absolutely wonderful."

After Mr. Penrose's speech the party broke up again into separate groups, and I found myself in company with a Mr. Henrion, designer of the exhibition. Miss Miller reappeared briefly. "Tell him about the travel," she said.

"After an uncertain pause Mr. Henrion did so. He's putting round the exhibits to protect them from the public.

"How will not want to spoil their shoes," said Mr. Henrion.

I congratulated him. "It was a problem," said Mr. Henrion, "to know what to do with the gravel when the exhibition was finished. No one would take it away. But now I have sold it to a contractor who will soon build on the Academy Hall site."

"Well," I said, "he's grand. I mean, the gravel's a jolly good idea in the first place, and now the contractor buying it makes it perfect."

Mr. Henrion seemed surprised by my enthusiasm. "Yes," he said, "thank you. I must just... I left himself in the crowd."

"Two hours well spent," I said. "I ask me, at least, nobody can remember this week that I never wrote about anything else except washing up."

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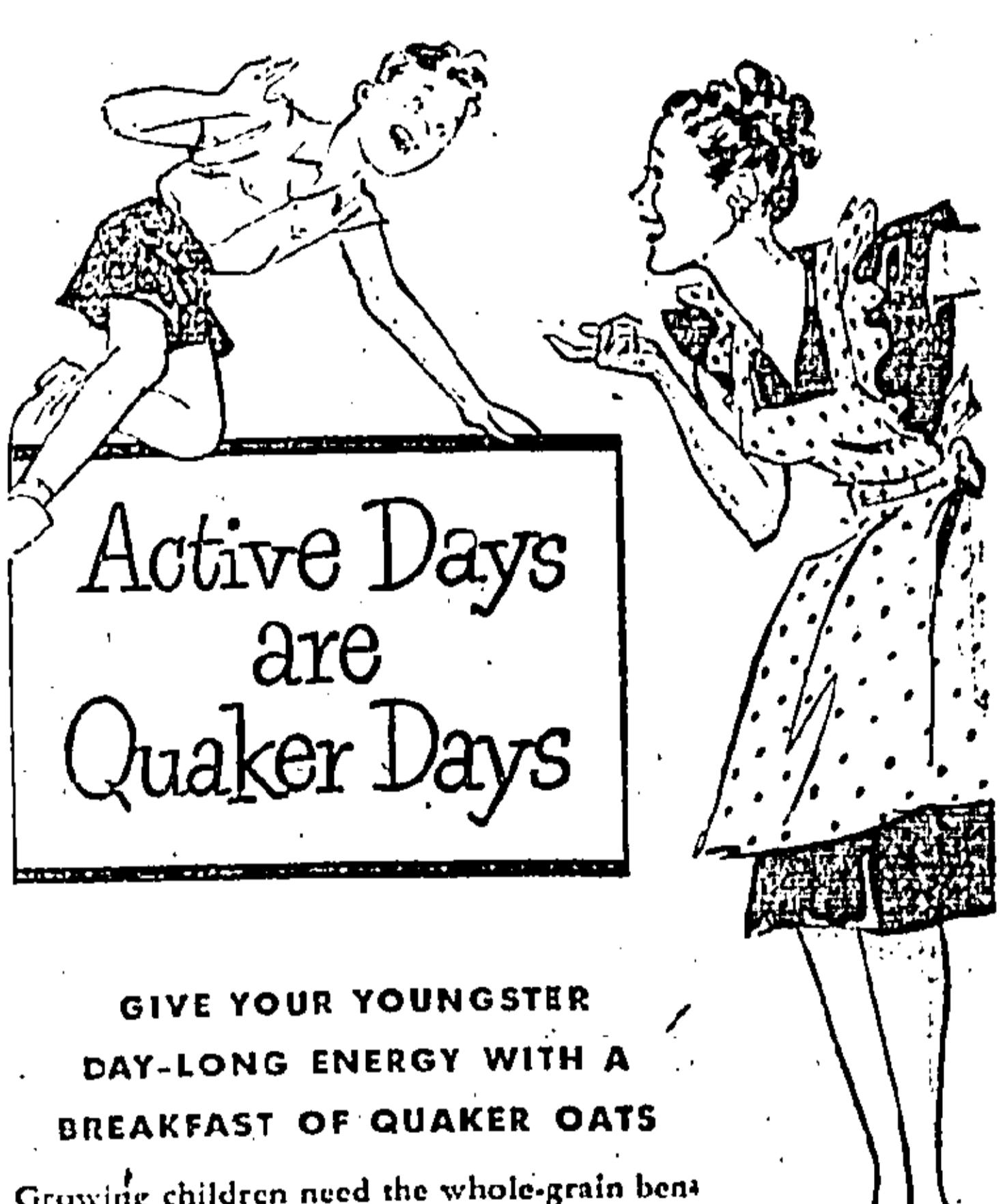
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Wen Wei Pao: Current developments in China—cultural, economic, Madam Mao's flight to the United States after defeat of the nationalists times was approaching. She set a rebuff. Then came the formation of the Sun Fo Cabinet which found itself helpless amid currency depreciation and chaotic market conditions.

At this juncture, a peace plan was proposed by the N.K.T. and American Governments. It was, however, dismissed by Yan'an's announcement of a list of war criminals. This followed expressions of concern and amazement by the United States Acting Secretary of State and by President Truman, and later by a statement

Agitation In Bombay

Bombay, January 7.

After a clash with police earlier today, Bombay medical students tonight called off their agitation against the 75 per cent increase of tuition fees.

They accepted an offer by Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, the Speaker of the Indian Parliament, to intervene in the dispute.

Fourteen medical students who had been on a hunger strike for five days, squatting in the office of the principal of Grant Medical College, also ended their fast to-night.

Police, armed with lathis (wooden stakes) charged and dispersed 1,000 students staging a protest march. Three students were injured and four, including two girls, were arrested.

Router.

Peace is possible only if the Communists want peace. This only reaction so far is from the Communist news agency editorial advocating that the "revolution continue to the end." This may be a political gesture.

The Kuomintang Government still holds half of China under its control. The e is no doubt the Communists' Party. If any, it will be similar to the Hainan News Agency editorial urging "revolution to the end."

Today, however, the democratic parties and the people of China have come through bitter experience and have learned to live. They are now in their end and will adhere to their principles.

Sweet words and politeness

there are no longer effective.

Besides, the final victory is already in sight. No matter how the hardships, the suffering and the sacrifices, the people of China will not give up their friends. They know that to do so will result in heavier misery and suffering to the next generation.

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School Fees

NATIONAL TIMES: Although the enforcement of regulations last year fixing school fees and prescribing that such fees be collected monthly, there are today many schools violating the regulations. The public is not satisfied and have criticised the Education authorities for not seeing that the regulations are strictly enforced.

School terms are about to begin and many schools are already collecting a whole year's fees in advance in various pretexts. This is a serious matter and a heavy burden on parents.

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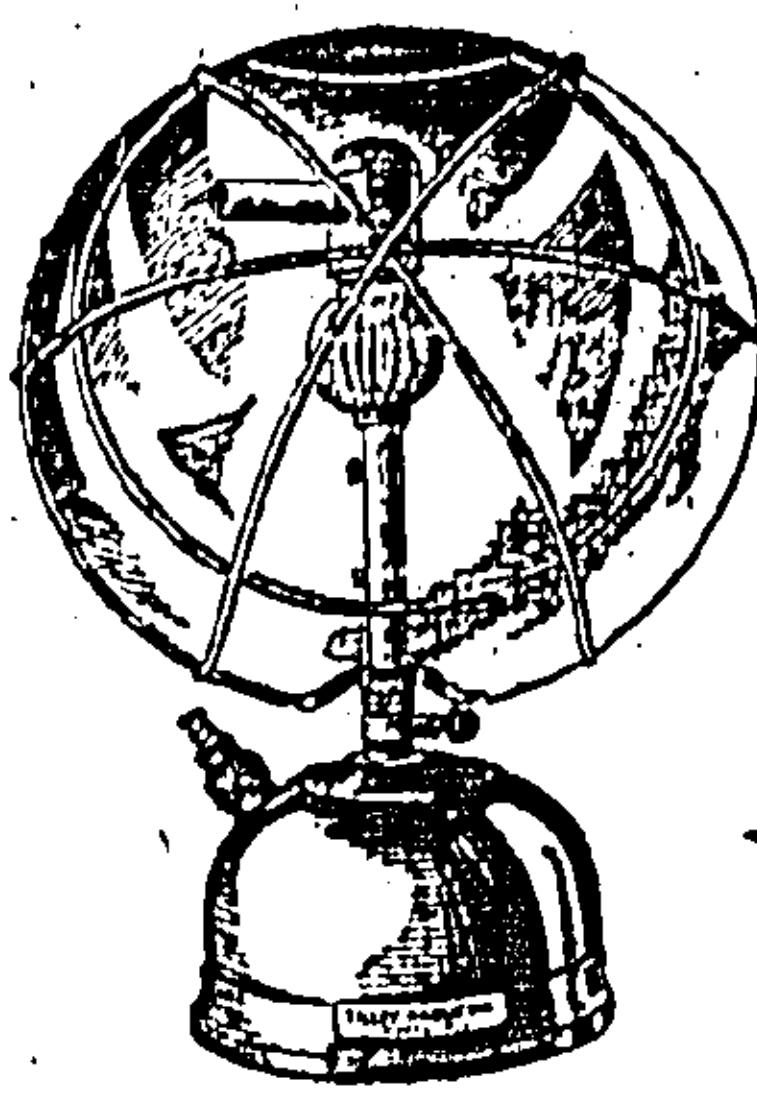
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INDONESIA DEBATE

DENUNCIATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL

Lake Success, January 7.
The Philippines today accused the UN Security Council of permitting the Netherlands to crush the Indonesian Republic.

The Philippines' representative, Mr. Carlos Romulo, denounced the United States and Russia as well as the Dutch for their positions in the vacillating Council debate.

He declared that the 1,000,000,000 people of Asia are being forced to consider collective non-military action to combat the Dutch campaign.

Mr. Romulo referred to the forthcoming New Delhi conference as presenting further action of a collective character on Indonesia and said the United Nations must remember that the only way to save Asia for the democracies is to give it freedom and give its people a place as co-equal partners in a better world.

"I beg the Council to think of the issues at stake and the human values involved in this question in terms of the whole of Asia and beyond that of the world," he said.

M. Romulo praised the United States' suspension of aid to Indonesia as one of the few concrete measures any nation has taken thus far. The Council should order an immediate cessation and the release of all Republican leaders—not just four or eight of them, he said.

If the Dutch again refuse to comply, other more positive measures should be taken under Article 41 of the Charter.

The Dutch had complied with the cease fire at their pleasure, he said. Even those Indonesian leaders released on Batavia Island were as free there as they would be on St. Helena or Alcatraz.

Russian Pose
"Russia has posed before the whole world as the defender of weak and oppressed nations and reaped a rich harvest of favourable propaganda in the process."

This was belied when the Soviet delegates withheld on technical grounds the Soviet and Ukrainian votes which could have assured passage of the troop withdrawal order.

"Anglo-American abstention on this subsequent Soviet resolution compounded the blunder. "One had the right to expect the United States would nevertheless vote for its own convictions, which had been expressed in the debates."

3. Australia's Norman Makin told the Council it cannot play ostrich and bury its head in the sands of Lake Success while its orders are being defied in Indonesia. Mr. Makin demanded that the Dutch give Republican leaders complete freedom, withdraw troops from conquered areas and resume talks through the Good Offices Commission.

"An Insult"

4. Egypt's Mahmoud Bey Falzi added his voice to condemnation of Dutch policy. The Council would endanger the future of the United Nations if it submitted to this very bad faith, he said.

5. The Good Offices Commission in Indonesia reported to the Council that the Dutch had not complied satisfactorily with Council orders on the cease fire and release of leaders imprisoned at the start of the Netherlands Christmas blitz against the Reds.

6. India's Sir Benegal Rama Rau accused the Dutch of defacing the objectives of the European recovery programme by using its aid to help put down the Indonesians. The Dutch contention that four exiled Indonesian leaders had been freed was an insult to the intelligence of the Security Council.

No big power delegates spoke today's session, which adjourned until Tuesday to give members time to consider the latest reports from the Good Offices Commission.—United Press.

PLANES BEAT THE TELEGRAM

New York, January 7.
Two jet planes flew from Chicago to New York in one hour 21 minutes and eight seconds today.

The 711-mile flight was so fast that by the time a telegram was delivered here notifying the official time that the plane had left Chicago, the jets were already at LaGuardia Field.

The planes were Lockheed F-80-C "Shooting Star" of the Florida National Guard. They flew at an altitude of 30,000 to 40,000 feet and hit 640 miles an hour. The speed of sound is somewhere between 650 and 700 miles an hour at that altitude.

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NEIL KELLY has been investigating the influence of Communism in British industry. After travelling up and down the country in the course of a detailed survey he presents his report.

THE MEN MISTRUST THAT WORD 'COMRADE'

There is a new spirit abroad in Britain, and with it comes the most refreshing draught of common sense since this land was united in its common purpose in 1940.

During a tour of Industrial England and Wales I have met everywhere workers and employers joining together freely to resist with all their power the advance of Communism in industry.

But, and it is big one, Communism still menaces British industry, and goes on preparing to strike from within.

The Communist never knows when he is beaten; nor is he yet. The new offensive is forcing him to change his tactics, to concentrate on certain key defence industries like chemicals, engineering of all types and mining, and to disappear even deeper "underground."

Training Scheme

The entrance of the extensive Communist underground organization may be judged from various activities details of which I unearthed.

In a heavy electrical engineering works near Manchester, one of the largest in the country, Communists have established a training ground for youthful operatives.

Here they are educated in factory organisation, union procedure at factory level, and tricks to impede production by stirring up trouble among their fellow workers.

Dismissal of workers "dangerous" to the Reds is sometimes brought about by subtle forms of victimisation, taught to and practised by the communists.

A similar training scheme is being built up in a new chemical and plastics works near Middlesbrough.

Part of the Communist hierarchy in Britain is made up of a force of "revolutionaries" who travel the country using ever-changing names to foster industrial trouble wherever it threatens.

They are the elite—known to local Party trainees, and every effort is made to hide their Communist connections.

Many British ships operating from North Eastern ports to Scandinavia and Russia have a Communist operative planted among the crew. Teesside

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SIX WEEKS IN A YUGOSLAV GAOL

By
David
Lee

On a warm September evening last year, British businessman and holidaymaker, Samuel Vernon Whalley, drove out through the pleasant pine woods above Trieste to the Yugoslav frontier to have a look at the famed Iron Curtain.

Near the frontier a Yugoslav guard pointing a Tommy-gun at the Briton's stomach ordered him across the frontier.

Six weeks later, half-starved, naked, a nervous break-down, and suffering a summer palm-beach clothing as a cold autumn wind whipped through the pine trees, Whalley returned to civilization.

He had spent forty days in solitary confinement in a Yugoslav jail, and had been Tito's prisoner longer than any other Briton.

Samuel Whalley is an educated, well-to-do North of England businessman who represents British textile interests in Italy, and his story, as told to this correspondent, reveals interesting facts on life across the Iron Curtain.

The various prisons near the frontier were Whalley was informed interrogated, and accused of being a British spy, were packed with young men and women who had been captured by Tito's frontier guards while trying to escape from the Yugoslav Communist regime.

Hourly Arrivals

Fresh prisoners, caught while trying to reach the Trieste Free Territory frontier a few miles away, were brought in hourly to the gaols where conditions were primitive with filthy over-crowded cells, starvation rations, and the ever prevailing atmosphere of fear.

When Whalley was seized he unfortunately had his camera with him. The moment, plus a snapshot of himself dressed in wartime officer's uniform which he carried in his wallet, branded him a spy to the Yugoslavs who saw a spy behind every tree.

After hours of questioning, Whalley was taken by an armed guard on a train from the frontier area to the Yugoslav city of Ljubljana.

It was the guard's first visit to the city and he had difficulty in finding his way to the jail.

They had to take several trams, and walk a way, before they reached the jail on the city's outskirts.

In vain he protested that he was no spy, but an innocent British holidaymaker. Tito's officer never mentioned his possible fate, but promised to send Whalley something to read.

The Yugoslavs never tortured

me physically, but they nearly drove me mad keeping me in that cell with nothing to read, no one to talk to and not telling me what they were going to do with me," said Whalley.

ly empty. The people were ragged and poorly-dressed at the best. Uniforms were everywhere, and the only well-dressed persons Whalley saw were Tito's officers.

The drab city filled with unsmiling peasants was a scene of misery and depression.

A New Gaol

The Ljubljana gaol was new, modern, and packed with young prisoners. Whalley was thrown into a small cell, and there he stayed in solitary confinement for forty days.

He was never permitted exercise, and left his cell only to be interrogated in the middle of the night. But all day long he could hear gangs of prisoners marching past—"the footsteps of young men and women."

Food was a slice of black almost inedible bread, and half tin of soups served twice a day.

Every half hour a guard peered through the cell door's peephole at the Briton. By night he switched on the light to wake the prisoner up. By day if he tried to rest on the bunk he was ordered to stand up.

For 10 days this Britisher

who had done no wrong except look at the Iron Curtain except

looked at his cell, never willingly set foot across it) stayed in his cell, no one came near him, though he bent on his door handle for an officer.

Then in the middle of the night it was decided off to be questioned in front of one of Tito's officers.

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Books

Some days later they gave him some books, "The Lord of the Rings" in English and the writings of Karl Marx, and the writings of Lenin, in Italian. He read "Pompeii" slowly three times, then the Communist bibles.

Whalley summed up his experience "God knows what these people behind the Iron Curtain have to live for, or why they support such a regime.



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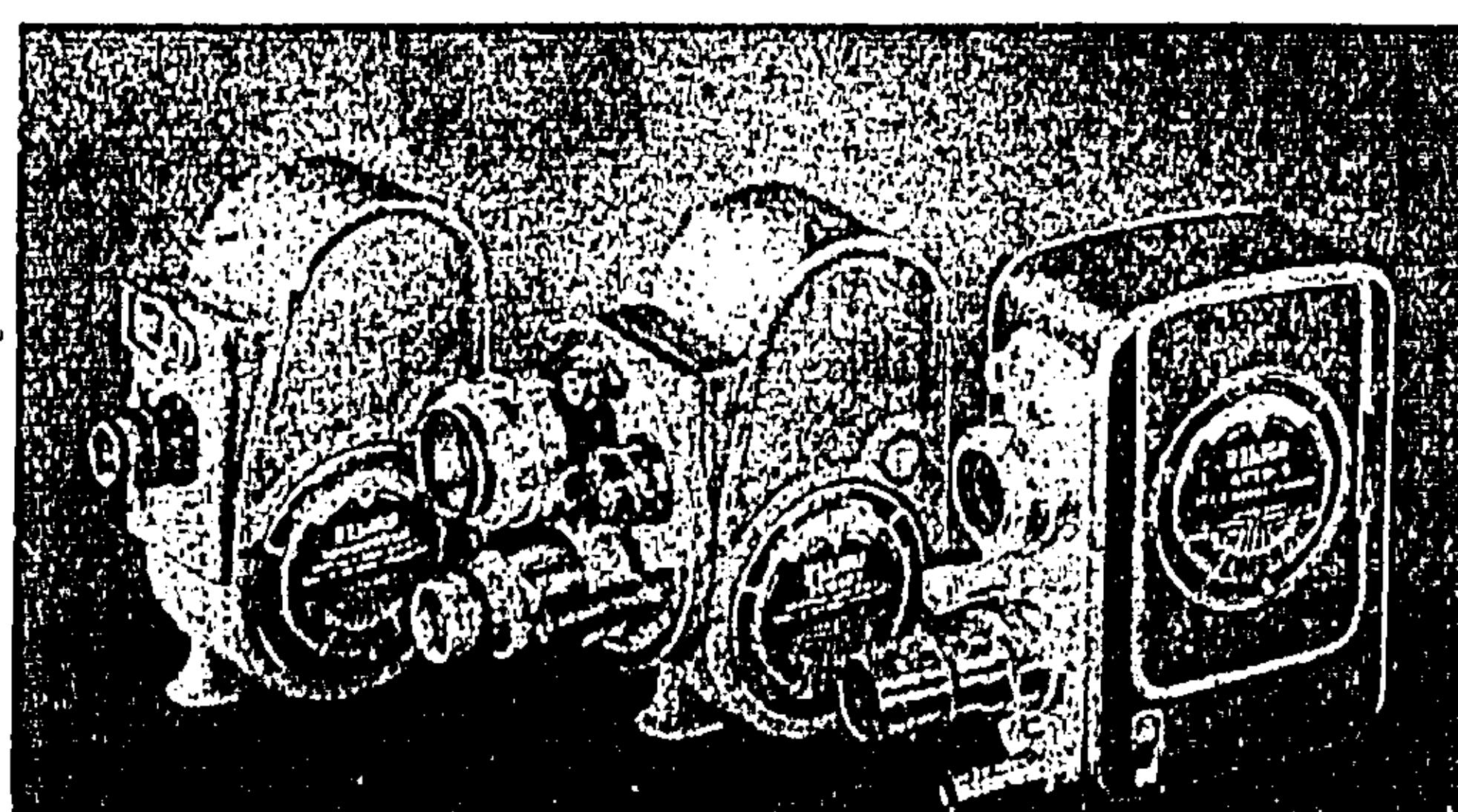
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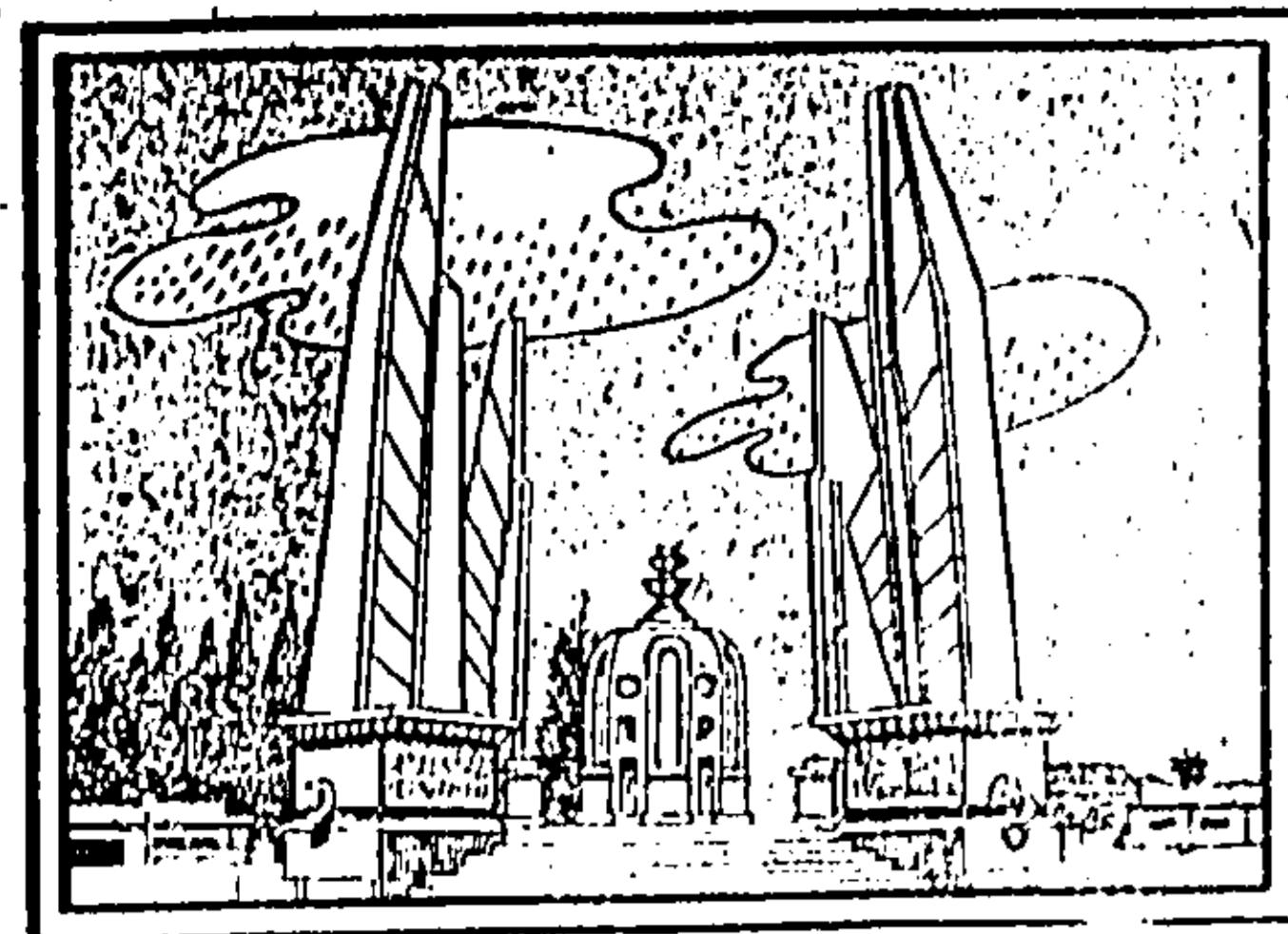
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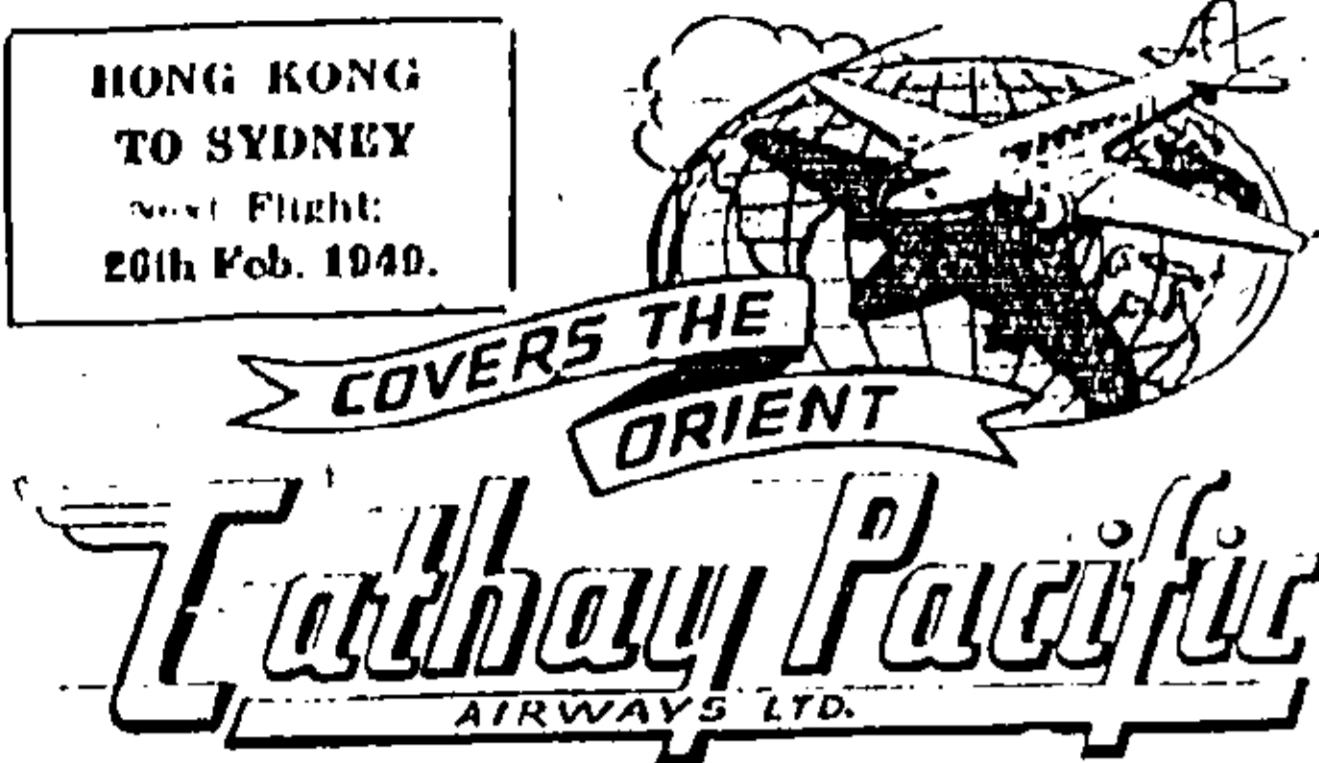
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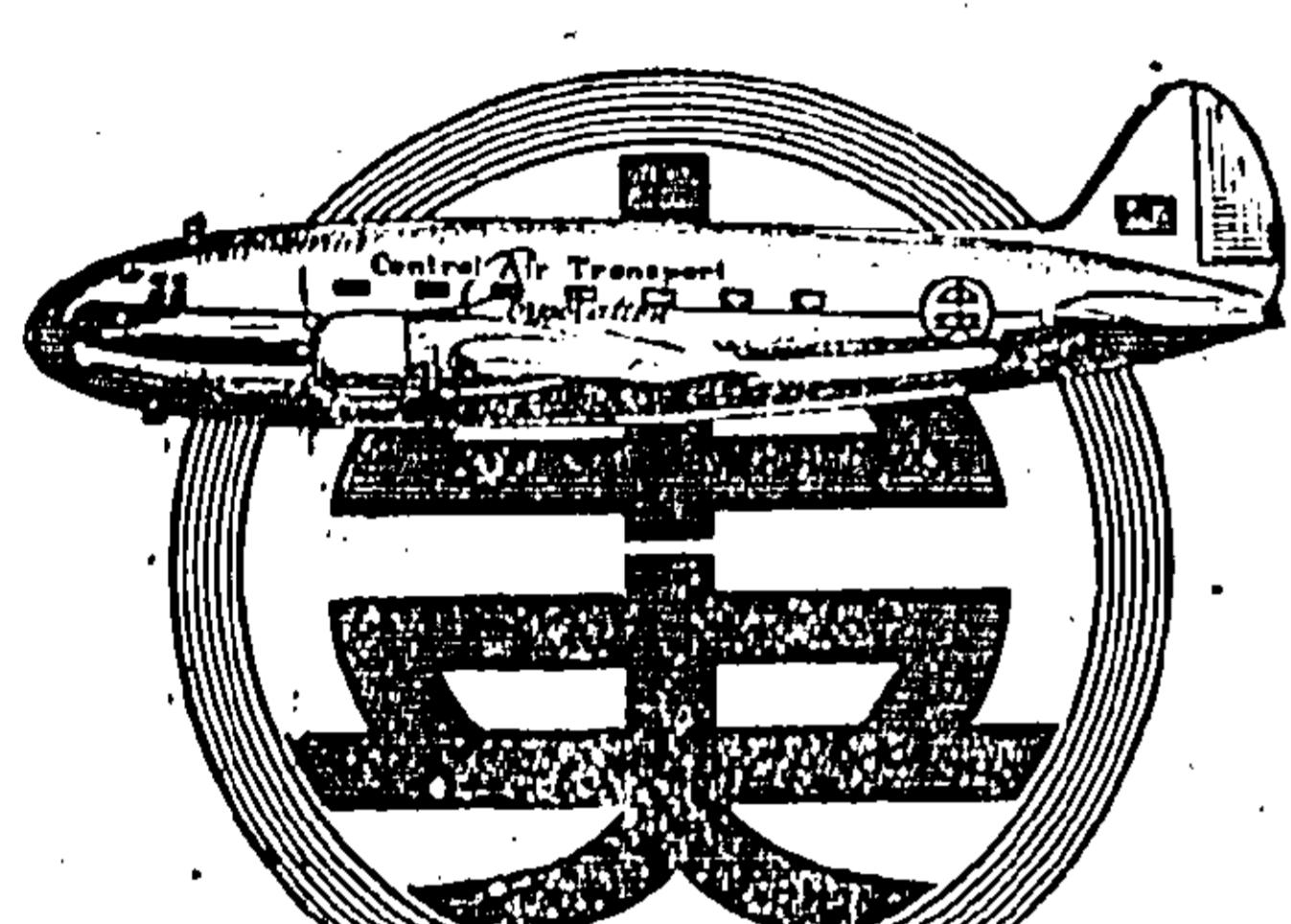


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DEFENCE FORCE

Colonel Ride's explanation, down to minor details, of the scheme for the creation of the new Hong Kong Defence Force, cleared up much that was doubtful. There is to be a complete break with the past. In no way will the new organisation resemble that which existed in the years prior to the outbreak of the Pacific War, and while the plan is in many respects experimental—with Hong Kong setting an Empire initiative in designing a combined military, naval, and air force under one administrative headquarters, with a Home Guard and essential service workers taking their place in the over-all scheme—there is firm confidence among its sponsors and among those who have studied the proposals that Hong Kong is on the right track and that the new organisation will justify itself as having tremendous advantages over any local defence scheme which has preceded it. We are asked to believe, too, and there seems no ground today for thinking otherwise, that there is to be no repetition of the errors of the past. Racial grouping will not this time mean racial discrimination, either in the sense of pay scales or the capacity of every individual volunteer to gain promotion according to his zeal and competency and not according to his social status. What differences in pay may occur will arise not from racial differentiation. It can arise between units since the HK Regiment will adopt the military pay code, the Naval Force will adopt the naval pay codes and the air component will go to the Royal Air Force for its pay scales. These various matters are all of high importance and the answers that Colonel Ride was able to give to questions upon them must be regarded as satisfactory. It may seem to many, however, that they are but incidental notes against the deep insistent bass of the "Never Again" group of ex-volunteers, who entertain a strong feeling of grievance at having been "let down" last time. The problem of the Government is not to convince the young men and women of Hong Kong that the plan for the new Defence Force has been expertly devised and promises a better deal for every volunteer in whatever branch of the Force he elects or is fitted to serve, but to persuade them that membership is today worth while. As Colonel Ride said, there is nothing that he can do as the prospective Commandant of the new Force to remedy the mistakes of the past, remove any of the injustices or anomalies. What he does promise, as far as lies within his powers, is to ensure that they are not repeated. Recruiting will not commence until February at the earliest and it is to be hoped that the authorities will not be discouraged if they find volunteers slow to come forward in the early days. After a war in which many men have seen much fighting, or even less pleasant, in which so many found themselves the prisoners of the Japanese, the prospect of rapid enrolment of the necessary numbers to complete the organisation is not particularly bright. It will call for patience, as well as the right approach, before the ranks are comfortably filled. All we may hope is that the hesitancy will not continue too long for now, can tell when the emergency may arise or precisely what form it may take.

WE MUST FIND ANOTHER "BERLIN"

It is no easy to assume that the Germans fear the Russians and respect the Western Allies. The fact is that they regard the West as occupiers, and, would feel themselves well rid of us all.

The Americans and British think of themselves as good occupiers and of the Russians as bad, but there is no evidence that the German makes any such clear distinction.

It is not particularly relevant to examine whether he is likely to become Communist any more than it is possible to explain why he has been, or is prepared to become Nazi almost at once. The answer to these questions is that the German is still a German, and that he is at present, as always, busily engaged in being one.

There is, of course, on occasion, a sign that the Germans are making an effort to get the iron out of the spirit of Western Europe. "That is surely not a Western act," said one to me, indicating a viciously twisted newspaper story.

A more normal reflection of the present German mind was to be seen in a press conference which I attended in the Russian sector, when the acting Lord Mayor introduced the city's Labour Office chief, who was the council representative for one of the Western districts. The gathering consisted almost entirely of Berlin journalists employed by one or other of the 21 newspapers produced in the four sectors.

Called off

The meeting had barely started when the Acting Mayor was summoned away. He returned to call off, explaining that the Russian liaison officer from the Soviet military government described the meeting of a Western representative in this manner as an unfriendly act.

The journalists received this announcement with cynical glee all round. This was no more than they had expected—the chance of authority using them to snub the other Powers. Why should that worry a German?

Whatever enthusiasm there may have been for the Hitler at its beginning, it had died before my visit. It was this only I ever noticed looking upward to see our aircraft flying in.

I went one day to see the new airstrip declared open at Tegel, where, in fair weather, a large number of aircraft will shortly be able to land and unload every day. Several thousands of citizens came to watch, but silently. No cheer was raised.

The end of this iron-cutting programme has cut many more successful show of independence.

Berlin and its suburbs are handsomely walled with splendid fortifications, one another in villa gardens and along every road. There are also large complete walls in the city area.

We have already arrived in the city, several thousands of tons of coal, plus small allowances for homes. By way of necessary supplement, a very limited rationing programme has been adopted, and has been loudly objected to by the German people.

Amenity

They give several reasons. One is that of economy—it's in a ruined city which has itself ruined so much!

A more valid objection is that the dry nature of the soil would

tend to the creation of a dust bowl if the trees were cleared. This in no way affects the suburban garden trees, while the longer limits in the forests should be calculated at ones and felling carried out to that limit.

Our own country has been stripped and ruined of its trees to win these two wars, and we should not be asked to countenance the flying-in of single bucket of domestic coal until half of Berlin's trees are down.

It is staggering to note the apathy with which the British and American Military Government approach the modest tree-planting requirements they have imposed on this predatory city.

The fact is that we have reached the position where we are competing with the Russians for the favours of this recent common

enemy. The Germans know it very well, and has no difficulty in making the temporary adaptations which are expedient.

So far no one can judge, all the past-1918 mistakes are being repeated.

The Western Powers are busily in handback in to the power and Industry in German hands.

Another train of thought is to be discerned in the minds of the Western administrators in Berlin. It is based on the conviction that "Time is on our side," and puts forward these reasons:

(a) The Western zone of Germany is increasing in economic strength, with improving standards of living, rising wages, more stability, and, shortly, its own government. Marshall Aid will play a large part. The East must see these developments, and ponder them.

(b) The Eastern, Russian-controlled, zone is slumping economically.

(c) Large-scale desertions of officers and men are taking place from the Red Army.

(d) There is trouble in the satellite states, where growing unrest carries an increasing menace to Soviet power.

Now, is there not something familiar about this sequence of reasoning? Where have we heard it before? We heard it in 1939, when the world was trying to convince the control of industries with a war potential.

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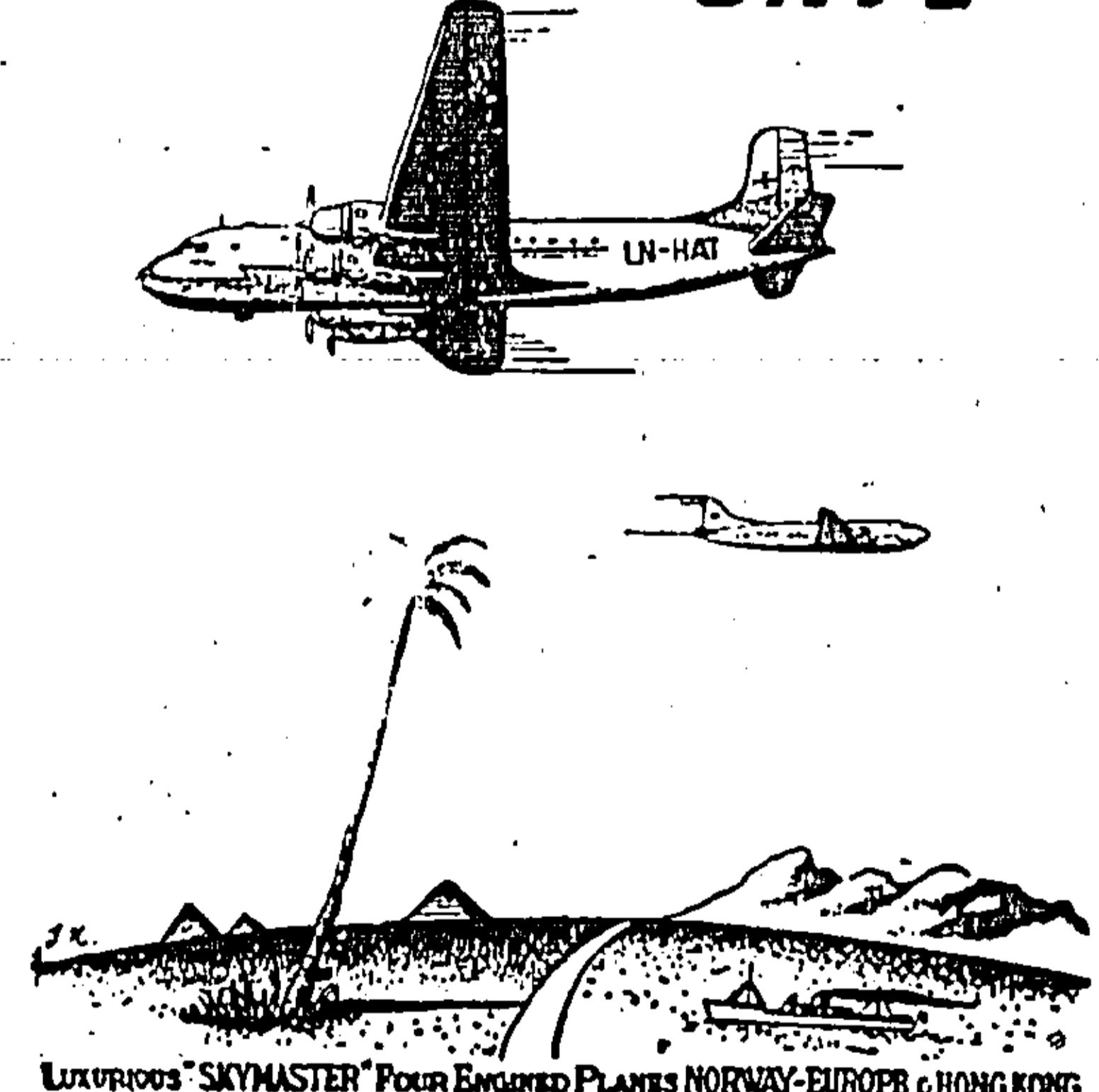
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NEW SECRETARY OF STATE CRITIC OF THE RUSSIANS AMERICAN POLICY TO BE UNCHANGED

Washington, January 7.
Mr. Dean Acheson, who is to succeed Mr. George Marshall as Secretary of State on January 20, is an outspoken critic of Soviet expansionism. He is credited with being largely instrumental in shaping anti-Communist policy in the United States.

It was Mr. Acheson who, even before Mr. Marshall's famous Harvard speech, first gave public voice to the need for the United States to help Europe on a planned and co-ordinated basis.

He was Under-Secretary of State in the years immediately following the war from August 1945 to July, 1947, when he played a considerable part in steering the foreign policy of the United States.

The President, in accepting the resignation of Mr. Marshall, described him as the outstanding man of the war period.

He declared that Mr. Acheson's appointment will not change the United States' foreign relations and denied that he had had any policy difference with Mr. Marshall.

In his letter to the President, Mr. Marshall said: "I regret that it is necessary for me to submit my resignation as Secretary of State. Please accept my thanks for the extraordinary consideration and the complete support you have given me these past three years.

"I shall never forget your kindness and I submit this resignation with affectionate regards and great respect. Yours faithfully, G. C. Marshall."

Outstanding Man

In his reply, the President said: "Your letter of January 3 emphasizes to me that considerations of health compel your decision to return to private life, which I had hoped in your country's interest could be long deferred.

"These of us who have had extensive experience in public affairs know full well that there are very few indispensable men."

The President's letter added:

"Happily for the continuity of Government, there appears from time to time a man of outstanding ability whose service in one post of responsibility gives him exceptional qualifications to discharge other duties of equal moment in a quite different field of activity.

"You are the exemplification of the type of public servant I have in mind.

"As Chief of Staff of the United States Army, you were the guide and counsellor of two Commanders-in-Chief. You brought to the performance of your task abilities and qualifications which inspired the armies of the democratic nations to victory in a war unparalleled in magnitude and in the vastness of the issues involved."

Onerous Duties

The President's letter continued: "When the great office of Secretary of State became vacant, it seemed to me fortunate that you were available for the position, although you had richly earned retirement.

"As it turned out, your previous training and experience were a great preparation for the onerous duties which fell to you in directing our foreign affairs—particularly in the formulation and execution of the Marshall Plan.

"I had hoped that with medical treatment and rest and recuperation you could continue in office. I am however unwilling to assume the responsibility of further jeopardizing your health.

"I accept therefore effective on January 20, 1949, your resignation as Secretary of State. In taking this action reluctantly and with deep regret, I heartily reiterate your sentiments of affection and respect."

The resignation of the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, a close and old friend of Mr. Marshall both in the State Department and in the War Department was accompanied by similarly cordial exchanges between Mr. Lovett and the President.

No Appeasement

Asked to comment on his appointment of Mr. Webb as Under-Secretary of State, President Truman said Mr. Webb was a good man, a good adminis-

trator and was needed in the State Department.

It is understood Mr. Webb has had no experience in diplomatic or international affairs.

The appointment of Mr. Acheson as Secretary of State is interpreted here as in itself a rebuttal of a suggestion made by Mr. Jay Franklin in this week's Life Magazine that the President favours "appeasement" of Soviet expansion and Communist aggression.

When Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Acheson frequently and bluntly condemned what he called "Soviet expansionism" and was an outspoken champion before Congress in March, 1947, of the provision of aid to Greece and Turkey in resistance to Communist penetration.—Reuters.

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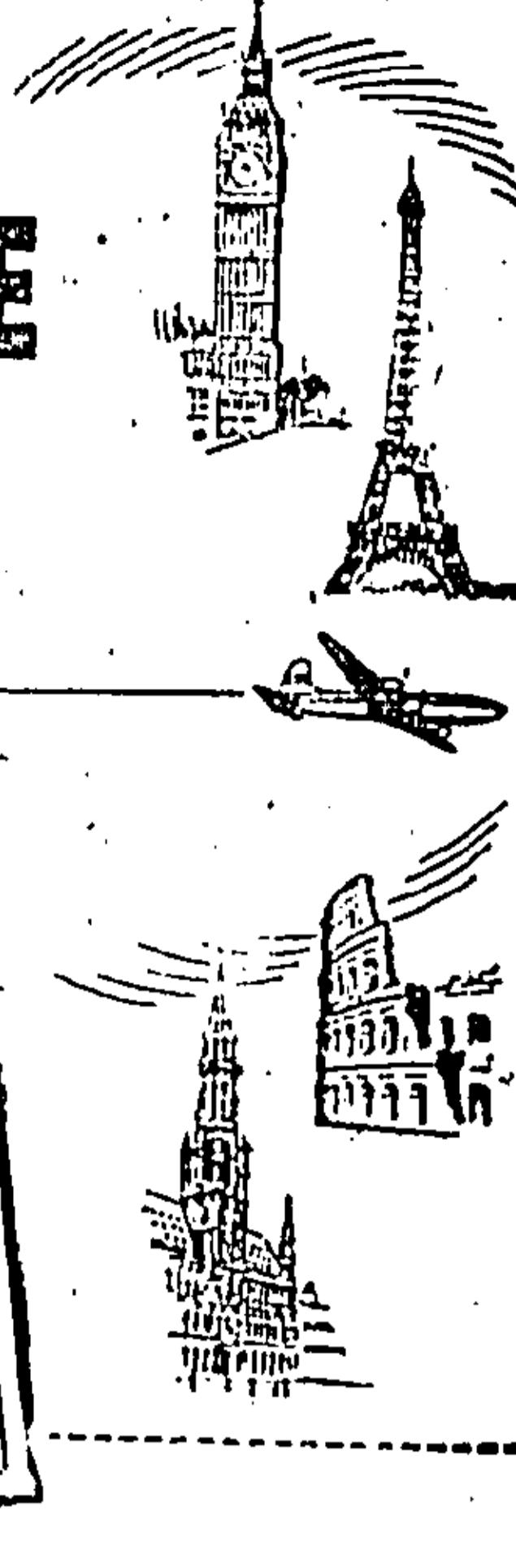
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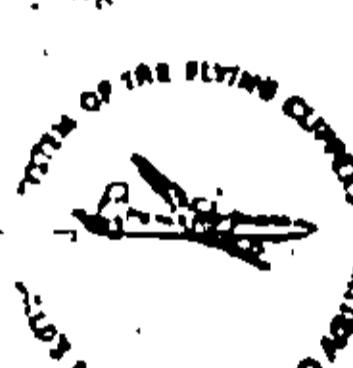


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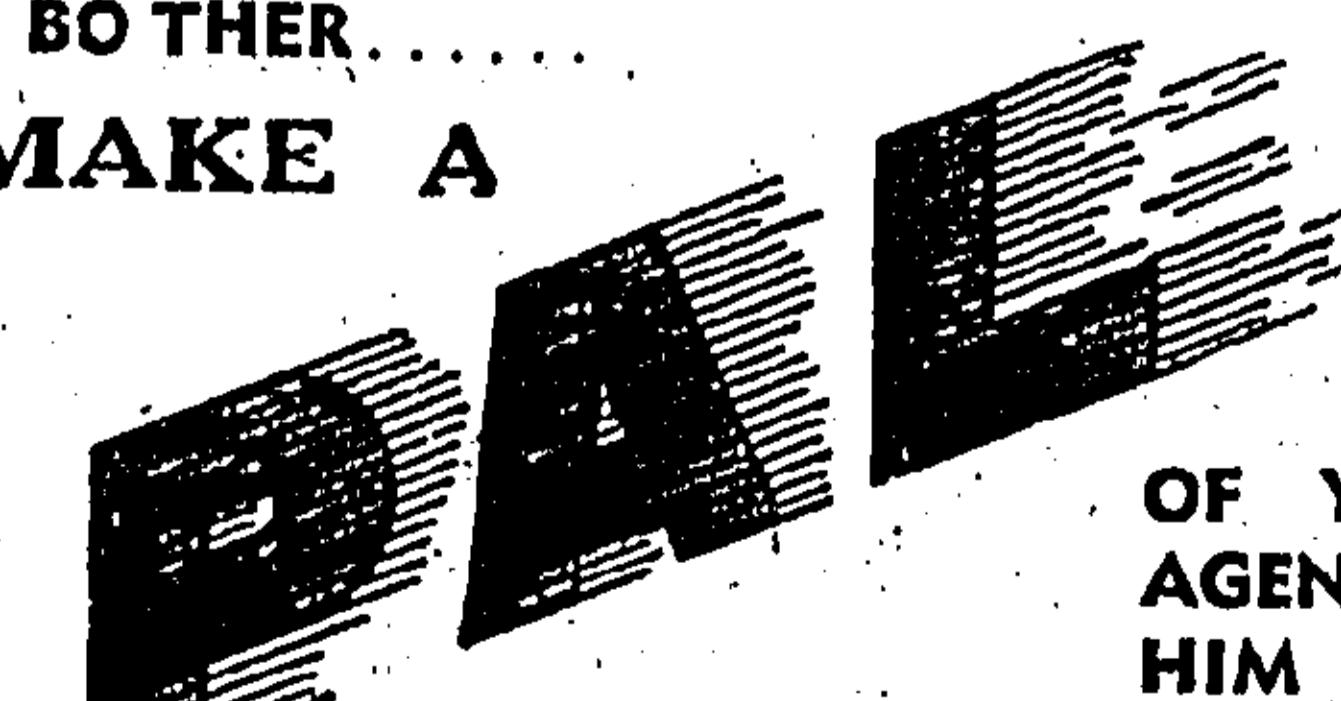
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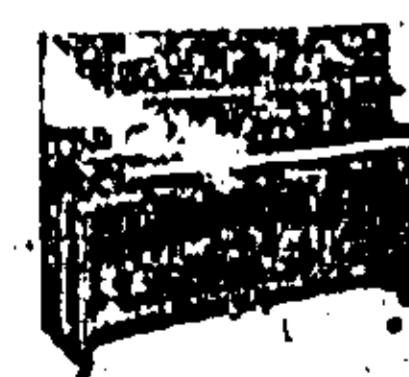
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HOPES OF REAL PEACE IN PALESTINE BATTLE

Tel Aviv, January 7.

The rumble of guns ceased on the South Palestine battlefield at noon today under the cease fire agreed between the Jews and Egyptians, while moves for armistice talks brought a glimmer of real peace to the Holy Land.

The cease fire, broadened into an armistice, came almost exactly two weeks after the Jews had felt constrained to resume their freedom of action in the Negev.

Bangkok, January 8. The trial of three suspects in the death of King Ananda Mahidol will be moved, from Bangkok to Switzerland, probably in April.

There King Phumiphon and the Princess mother will testify before the court. The King is now studying at Lausanne.

The prosecution department revealed that five judges will make the trip to the Siamese Court which will be held in the Legation at Berne.

The King had planned to testify on his return to Bangkok for the cremation of Ananda, but the ceremony was postponed after an automobile accident at Lausanne in October when Phumiphon suffered an eye injury still being treated.

The trial of three suspects, including Ananda's private secretary and two bedchamber attendants, started in October last year.—Associated Press.

'BANDITS' HOLDING UP FOOD FROM CANTON

Canton, January 8.

Increased activity on the part of river-preying marauders has prevented much food from reaching Canton from outlying exporting areas. The result has been a considerable rise in prices of essential daily commodities, particularly those of rice.

For a long time now most of the river routes from and leading to Canton have been the happy hunting ground of what have been commonly described as "bandits."

These men, usually well armed, have preyed by either demanding "right of way" money from river vessels or by robbing both passenger and cargo boats.

Recent reports reaching this city indicate that these bandits have extended their scope of operation to cover all waterways linking Canton with outlying Kwangtung districts and that they have not only increased their "protection fee" tolls but have also resorted to pillaging more frequently.

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The result is that most exporters of rice and other food-stuffs to Canton have held on to their stocks for fear of complete loss during transportation.

Those who take the risk raise prices to cover "protection fee" tolls. Therefore, when the commodities reach local markets the prices are high.

Convoy System

Last year several river transportation companies had to suspend services periodically because of the continual preying on their vessels. Military protection was sought but nothing effective ever materialized.

The Government also took action of its own against the bandits and though the situation was eased the bandits were never completely eradicated.

Now the authorities are said to be willing to provide strong armed guards but on the condition that rice and other food-carrying river craft sail in a single big convoy at one time. Shipping circles concerned do not, however, look upon this offer with any enthusiasm since it is considered that a convoy system from and to Canton would be impractical for various reasons, the main one of which would be the difficulty of assembling vessels using different waterways and heading for different destinations.—Reuter.

Colonel Yadin told reporters that the Egyptian forces at Bir Abiuj and Auja in the Southern Negev have been wiped out.

Colonel Yadin said that the past fortnight's operations cost the Egyptians 2,500 casualties. These include killed, wounded and captured. He did not estimate Israeli casualties.

Colonel Yadin said his troops surprised the Egyptians in the Southern Negev by using the 2,000-years-old Roman road to Beersheba after persuading them that the main threat was to Gaza.

He said Israeli forces then swooped on Bir Abiuj and Auja, and the Egyptians fled across the frontier. The pursuing Jewish forces sabotaged the airfield at El Arish, about 24 miles from the frontier.

The Jews then attacked the Gaza strip and by today were pounding at the gates of Rafah on the frontier.

Colonel Yadin said Israeli forces held the road from Gaza to the frontier but Egyptian troops occupy a coastal strip and another pocket at Falujah, South of Gaza, where they had been contained for two months.—Reuter.

20 Million Australians

Canberra, January 7. Australia will receive 70,000 immigrants from Britain during 1949, Mr. Arthur Calwell, the Immigration Minister, said in a broadcast tonight.

Another 40,000 immigrants will come from Europe and the United States. He predicts that by 1955 the country's population — now more than 7,500,000 — will reach nine million, and added: "There is no reason why Australia should not have a population of 20 million in the lifetime of the average Australian now living." —Reuter.

Danes May Join Talk On Union

Copenhagen, January 8. The Danish Government expects an official invitation to join the Atlantic Union talks in Washington within three weeks, a Foreign Office spokesman says.

The spokesman admits that the U.S. Government some time ago asked Denmark whether she will accept such an invitation if it is formally forwarded.

The meeting between the Scandinavian Government leaders held in Sweden on Thursday was prompted by this approach," he added.

The spokesman said Denmark had not yet decided upon her reply which will not be ready until another meeting of the Government leaders has been held.

This meeting will probably take place within a fortnight.

All members of the foreign Relations Committees of Denmark, Norway and Sweden will also participate and the meeting is expected to take the form of a general Nordic debate on the future of Scandinavia.

In Oslo, the Norwegian Prime Minister, Mr. Einar Gerhardsen denied reports that Norway has been invited to join the proposed Atlantic Union. Norway suggested yesterday's meeting of Scandinavian leaders because, he said, work in the Scandinavian Defence Committee had progressed so far that it is natural to discuss the matter from the political aspect.—Associated Press

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THE LAST FRONTIER

BY LESLIE BRODIE

For nearly a century Australians have neglected the possibilities of the vast rich land in the North West of their continent.

The post-war upsurge of nationalism in India, Burma, Indonesia, and other countries of South East Asia has made Australians realise that they will be in an awkward spot when the over-crowded peoples of these countries begin to ask questions about the North.

They realise that questions will be asked and that they will be followed by embarrassing demands for living space that Australia will not be agreeable to meet owing to her rigid "White Australia" policy.

The Asiatics will not be impressed by this policy or by any arguments that some of the million square miles in and around the Territory is valueless. They well know that hundreds of thousands of their countrymen can make a better living off this "valueless" land than they are getting from their homeland.

During the war the Territory proved that it could hold a big population when it supported over 100,000 Allied personnel with all their meat, fruit, fresh vegetables and other food necessities.

The British Ministry of Food has its eyes on the cattle ranches and has sent food experts to look the land over and report on the possibility of it becoming a food kitchen for the British Isles.

No El Dorado

The area is considered by land authorities to be greater in size and potentialities than the American West or the Canadian prairies—two areas that have helped considerably to make their respective countries great.

But the Northern Territory has been no "El Dorado" or "Utopia" to Australia. So far it has cost the Federal Government more than £A20,000,000 to keep it going.

Various Governments in the past few decades have held Royal Commissions and inquiries into reasons for the neglect of the country, but all have been shelved. One report that would have been adopted but for the war claimed that the Territory was a challenge to other peoples and a liability to Australia that could be turned into an asset by establishing extensive railroad communications with West Australia and Queensland.

The report estimated that with these railroads enough valuable land could be opened up to produce sufficient revenue to balance the Territory budget and provide for a surplus of around £A4,000,000.

Railway Needs

Cattlemen have backed this report and add their own observations to the effect that the country's beef cattle

export quota alone could be raised from 100,000 head to well over 2,000,000 within a few years after the construction of adequate railroads.

Lack of communications is the Territory's greatest drawback. There are only about 600 miles of railroad in the whole area. The present Federal Government is toying with the idea of building a rail link between Mt. Isa (Queensland) and the Barkly Tablelands, West of the Roper River.

This would give access to some of the richest pastoral lands in Australia, but the Government insist that the pastoralists develop their properties before the construction gangs go to work. The pastoralists, on the other hand, say they cannot begin to develop until the railroad goes through.

Another strangle-hold on the development of the Territory has been the refusal of the Federal Government to extend the land leases. Most of the land is held under leases from the Government which were due to expire in 1968. The present Government in September this year granted owners an extension of 20 years after they had refused to spend the money required to develop the land.

Some of these ranches, or stations as they are known here, are the largest in the world. Two or three of them take up over 8,000,000 acres of good grazing land. Through lack of adequate labour and working facilities thousands of tons of good beef rot each year on these places.

Wild Cattle

One rancher alone estimates that his place supports 20,000 "scrubbers"—unbranded cattle gone wild. With closer settlement all this beef could be shipped out to a meat-hungry world at a handy profit to the breeder.

Darwin, the Territory's capital, is the Northern gateway to Australia by air. The small tin-shanty town is the most cosmopolitan in the Commonwealth. Before the war at least 20 different nationalities could be distinguished among the town's few thousands of inhabitants.

Darwin is now in the hands of town planning specialists who aim to rebuild it as a modern tropical garden city.

During the war the Japanese did a nice civic job of alum clearing with 64 bombing raids. They blasted many of the ramshackle hovels and gambling dens that made up the town, and cleared the way for the rebuilding of the new Darwin.

In the past Australians thought of Darwin as a place where stories were written about beach-combers and crews of pearl-fishers fighting out drunken brawls, and "wanted" men hiding till their troubles were over.

the area and that settlers should be encouraged who by their efforts and initiative would "make a go of it."

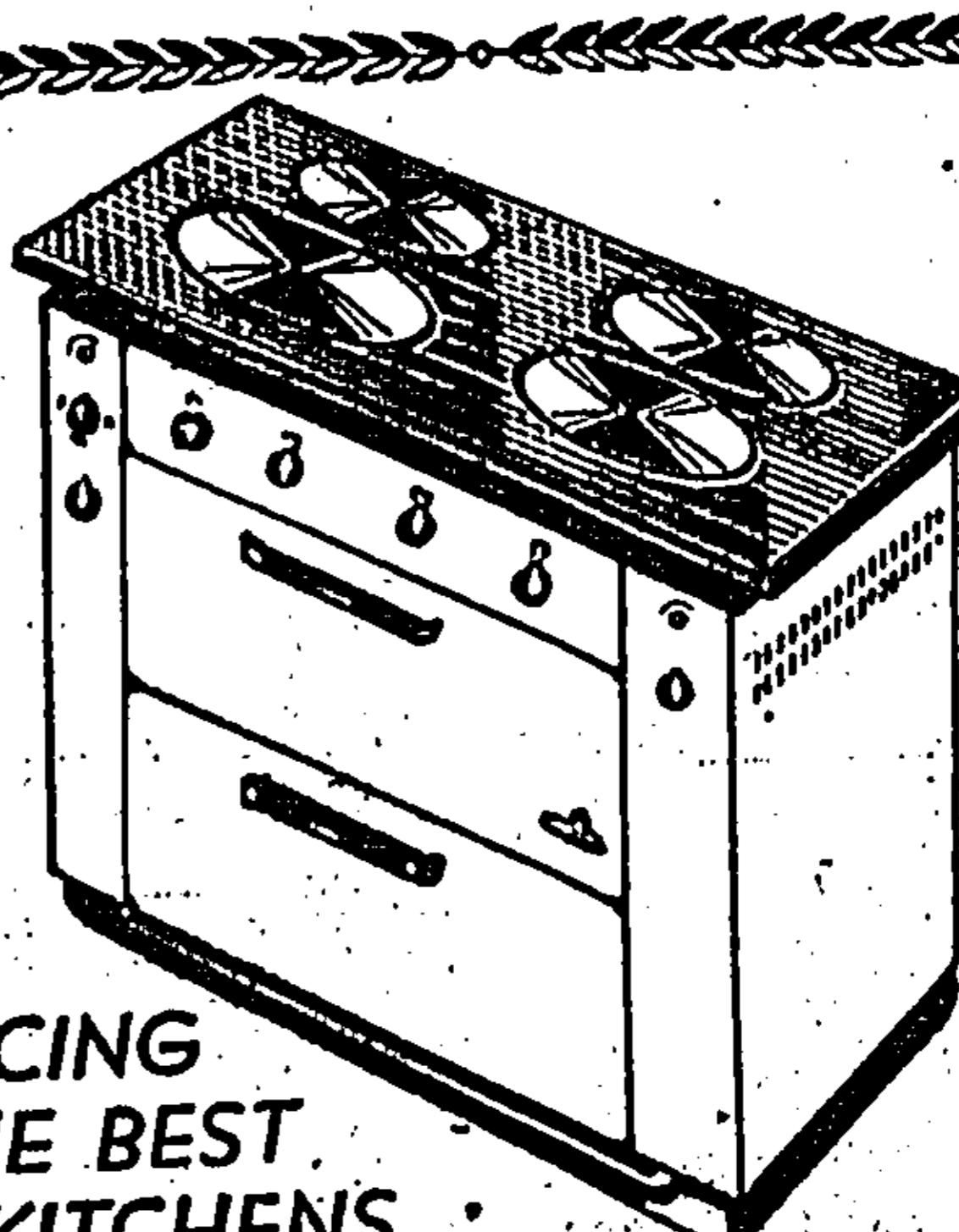
The Territorians themselves laugh at the pessimists who say the soil is unproductive and not worth developing. They are equally derisive of those who peddle the idea that the building of huge inland waterways and irrigation channels would turn the place into a modern Garden of Eden.

They say there is plenty of mineral in the land, but you must dig for it; there is wealth in the pastoral lands, but you will have to work for it—but it is there.

Present Administrator of the Territory, A.R. ("Mick") Driver, bases his policy for the future on the development of known payable industries, the attraction of new settlers, and a cautious approach to new ventures aided by science and research.

Driver believes that cattle raising and mining should be put on a firm workable basis before anything else is attempted.

He has long experience in the country and the knowledge of past failures to guide him. He sums up the Territory of today with these words: "There are no diamonds in the Northern Territory, but there is enough untouched wealth to purchase outright the Kimberley Diamond Mines. All it requires is a man with the courage of Cecil Rhodes."



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THE CASE OF THE VOLUME OF POE

By Vincent Starrett

He wondered if he would be allowed to enter the shop. If a clue to the murderer existed anywhere, it must be there. Well, he owed dear Old Thing this last effort. He owed it to Stella who might be held suspect after all. And he owed it to himself. For all he knew, he might be languishing behind bars before evening.

Just inside the shop door sat the uniformed policeman who had been left in charge. "So it's you," he said as the bell tinkled.

"It's me again," beamed Allardyce ungrammatically. "I want to look around a bit, if you don't mind."

"Got permission?" asked the cop. "Sergt. Slater told me to try out any ideas I had. This is one of them."

The policeman shrugged and said, "Go to it."

Allardyce glanced at the spot where Old Thing had fallen. He noticed a smear on the pine board floor. Suddenly he was thinking of the stain on the title page of the Poe volume. Could it have been blood?

Certainly not DeGolyer's blood. How could a single drop have fallen in the centre of a page, when all else around had been dyed with Old Thing's life stream? There had been no sign of blood on the cover of the book; none on any other page. And he would have sworn that the spot on the title page had not been on it the night before. He remembered the stain's core was almost a circle, darker in hue than the surrounding edges, almost as if it had been blotted.

A clearer picture of what might have happened after the murder came to him. Suppose—just suppose—the murderer herself was wounded in the scuff or splashed some of DeGolyer's blood. Suppose the dealer dead, and the book in her possession, what would be her first thought? The shop would be in darkness except for the street lights. How could she be sure she had the right book?

Obviously she would carry it to a light and look at the title page. And then, as she bent over it, suppose a stray drop of blood to have fallen on it

With that idea foremost, Allardyce strolled to the rear of the shop where Old Thing's desk sat in an obscure corner. Even in day-light it was dark in that corner. He switched on the desk lamp while the policeman screwed about in his chair to see what was going on back there.

DeGolyer's papers on the desk had been tossed about chaotically by the desultory detectives, but none had fallen to the floor. Allardyce sifted them until he found what he was looking for—a yellow blotter. The particular stain on it was faint, but it was there—the blot that corresponded to that on the title page of Stella Courtney's book.

"What is it, Buddy?" boomed the policeman. "Found something?"

"I've found a blotter," answered Allardyce. "Take a look at it. I wanted you to know I found it here—on Mr. DeGolyer's desk. See it? Well, there's a bloodstain on it."

The policeman stared. "It might be blood," he agreed.

"I thought it would be there. I'm taking it to Sergeant Slater," said Allardyce.

"Take it along, take it along," yawned the cop.

But what, after all, had he proved, Allardyce wondered when he reached the street. Only that the slayer had spilled a drop of blood on a book. Was it guilty blood or DeGolyer's?

The next step, he supposed, was to interview Haines, the real estate dealer, who had found the body. If the murder had been committed by a woman, he thought . . . well, the rock of perfumes was potent and powerful.

Might some lingering odour have remained when Haines entered?

Glancing through the half opened door, Haines was seated at a desk, writing busily. He raised his head as the door was opened. Yes, this was the man who had found the body of Old Thing. Allardyce recalled his face clearly—long, thin, shallow, the eyelids drooping slightly as if heavy with sleep. He even recalled the little patch of court plaster the man was wearing on his high cheek.

Good grief! That court plaster!

A new idea struck Allardyce so suddenly that he stopped in his tracks. Was it possible? But surely a woman had committed the crime. Everything pointed to a woman. Yet a new conviction was mounting in Allardyce's mind.

The man who had found DeGolyer's body now stood beside him. "Oh," Haines said, recognizing his visitor, "you are—"

"Allardyce. You saw me this morning. I'm sorry to bother you, but I was a friend of Mr. DeGolyer, you know. Do you mind if I ask you some questions?"

The real estate man hesitated. "I'm fairly busy," he answered, "but in your case I can knock off for a minute or two. What was it you wanted to know?"

"Frankly," Allardyce said, "I'm playing detective." He smiled his most charming smile. "With the permission of the police, of course. I have a queer idea. I'm wondering if you were aware of any peculiar odour . . . any perfume when you entered the antique shop this morning."

But Haines had not noticed anything of the sort.

"Then I won't bother you," said Allardyce. "I suppose I'm wrong. It seems a woman did this thing, and—"

"Not really," remarked Haines. "I hadn't heard that."

"Not many people have heard it yet," said Allardyce. "I must ask you to keep it a secret."

"Of course, I won't say a word. But who—if I may ask—is the woman? Or is that a secret too?"

"My lips are sealed," replied Allardyce with a mysterious smile.

Safely in the street again, the amateur sleuth almost ran to his small apartment hotel, a few blocks distant, leaving Haines staring after him. Locked in his room, he rummaged in a drawer until he found a darning needle. From a bookcase, he drew forth a slender volume of Poe's poems. It was not a rare edition, but in size and form it was not unlike the copy that had belonged once to Stella Courtney's aunt.

For a minute or two he practiced opening the book at its title page and bending over it, as if to verify a date. Then, with a little grimace, he strode to the small mirror over his basin and stuck the book in lighting into his check at the point where the bone was most prominent. For an instant he stood and watched blood gather on the wound. When it was of sufficient size, he picked up the book and opened quickly to the title page, bending over the volume as before. An instant later a drop had fallen onto the white page.

Allardyce waited another moment or two, then carefully blotted the spot on the page. After that he studied his remonstration. If he had not exactly reproduced the stain in Stella Courtney's book, at least he had approximated it.

He pasted a bit of court plaster over his tiny wound and smiled at the effect in the glass. What a start he could give Haines by striding in on him, just that way, and slapping the volume of Poe down under his nose. Its stained title-page exposed!

Just then his telephone rang sharply and the desk clerk's voice sounded urgently in his ear: "Two gentlemen are on their way up to see you, Mr. Allardyce. They told me not to announce them."

Slater and Considine. Undoubtedly the detectives! Now he would be arrested as—what? Murderer, accessory, witness? He hung up the receiver without speaking and hurried to the door. Slater and Considine were advancing up the hall.

"I thought it would be you," Allardyce smiled feebly as they entered the room. "Am I under arrest?"

"Well, why not?" snapped Slater.

Allardyce shrugged. "It's all right with me. Only I didn't do it."

"Nobody thinks you did," said Slater.

"Then why am I under arrest?"

The big detective grinned. "You're not exactly under arrest," he explained. "The truth is, we were sent over to see why you are concealing important information, and then to ask you what else you have up your sleeve. The Captain thinks you know more about this DeGolyer than you've told anybody yet."

"Where is Miss Courtney?" Allardyce asked.

"She's off to the Loop with one of our fellows. She's being taken to Bancroft's. If he says she isn't the girl who sold him the book there'll be an out for her. Nobody thinks she did it, either."

Allardyce was relieved. "But, honour bright I have no idea who killed the old man," he insisted. "The fact is, I've been working on the case myself."

"Mmm!" commented Considine.

"Anyway," said Slater, "we've got to take you to see the Captain."

Allardyce thought quickly. "Look here, Sarge, Slater," he protested, "while you're fooling around with me, the man who did it may be escaping. I think I know the truth about this case, and a woman didn't do it!"

He burst out with the whole story while the detectives listened with interest.

"Now," he concluded, "what do you think?"

"Haines, eh?"

"Of course, he'd say he cut himself shaving."

"Nonsense! He couldn't cut himself that high up unless he was pretty nervous."

"I want to confront him with this book. I want to slap it down under his nose and see what he does."

Slater grinned. "It might work at that—if he's guilty. What do you think, Tim?"

Considine thought there was no harm in trying. "But I've got a better idea," he said. "Listen!"

Seated in a taxicab, Allardyce and Considine waited for the reappearance of Sergt. Slater. Just across the street was the real estate office. On the corner beyond it was a drugstore into which the pair in the taxi had seen Slaters disappear.

Five minutes later, Slater emerged and they transferred their attention to the front door of the real estate office. Considine drew his gun.

The door opened and Haines hurried out, carrying his hat in his hand. He looked wildly up and down the street for a taxicab. This was an emergency that had been provided for and there was a cab waiting for him not too far away. The driver had been well instructed. They saw the real estate man speak quickly to the driver and pile into the cab, which started with a rush.

"He's off to Bancroft's, all right," said Considine. "That settles it. He's our man. In a little while now, Mr. Allardyce, you'll know what really happened to your friend last night."

They picked up Sergt. Slater at the opposite curb and started in pursuit.

"Got him," said Slater laconically as he dropped him into his seat. "I told him on the phone I was Bancroft, and it rocked him. What did I want? he asked. I said a young woman had sold me a rare book this morning, and it had turned out to be a fake. Since she had given his name as a reference, I said, I wanted to return the book and get my money back before I called the police. He didn't dare



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doubt me. He realized his only chance was to get Bancroft his money as fast as possible and take up that book."

Haines, in the car ahead, was obviously nervous. He kept looking back at the pursuing taxi. The objective of both cars was the police station, a circumstance unknown to Haines. But as its gray bulk loomed, Haines' taxi stopped at the door, and he collapsed. He had to be almost carried inside.

"What are you going to do with me?" he asked. They were all in the captain's office now.

"That depends—" replied Capt. Considine. "Who was your accomplice? I want her name."

"I won't tell you. She's left town. You'll never find her. But I'll tell you this—she murdered DeGolyer."

The Captain's grim grin was skeptical.

"She did," insisted Haines. "I only stood in the alley back of the shop. She went inside. I owed her money for—something—and I didn't have it. I tried to borrow some from DeGolyer last night. He said he didn't have it. She was pushing me hard. Well, I decided to rob the man. I thought he was lying. The girl was waiting for me. There's a window at the back of the shop that looks out on the alley. It was open. DeGolyer slept in the shop. I didn't intend to hurt him. But as I stood at the window, listening, a girl came into the shop. She had brought him a book to sell for her—a valuable book. They talked about it awhile and he told her a bookseller named Bancroft would give her more money. She said she'd rather trust him—DeGolyer—to sell it for her."

Haines hesitated; then went on: "It looked easier than stealing his money to get that book. I went back and told my girl about it. Then I gave her my flashlight and boosted her through the window, when we thought the old man was asleep. He was smoking his pipe in the dark, up front in the shop. He heard her coming and spoke to her. She lost her head, I guess. She grabbed a knife from a rack of things and let him have it. I was sorry when I heard about it, but it was too late then. I told her what to do with the book, and how to get out of town. This morning I thought it would be smart if I found the body myself and made the first report." He paused, again; then concluded: "I don't know how you heard about the book."

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INTERPRETATION OF MUSIC

Over the Christmas holidays talk turned to music and a question was asked which gave me to think. That question was "What constitutes interpretation of music?" It was not an easy question to answer—in fact, a moment's thought will show it to be a question where many factors call for consideration.

It suppose it can safely be said that only one man can faithfully interpret music and that man (or woman) would be the composer. The question then to be postulated is how is a performer (and here must be included a conductor) to insinuate himself into the composer's mind, so thoroughly to absorb his idiom and meaning, as to be capable of producing, in music, exactly what the composer intended?

If the answer to that question could be found, then the whole answer automatically follows. Given that the performer plays the music correctly, the correct light and shade is forthcoming, the planissimos and fortés are correctly observed, yet still the divine spark may be missing which makes the performance a really great occasion.

And who, incidentally, can set himself up to say "That is not a true interpretation?" He would be a bold man indeed to do. Firstly, he must certainly possess a sound and extensive theoretical knowledge of music. Secondly, he must be something of an expert in orchestration, a specialisation and training are essential before all its ramifications are fully grasped. Thirdly, he has to possess intimate knowledge of the composer's music whose performance he is criticising. Altogether, something of a paragon is needed, and such men are few.

All branches of musical performance, instrumental, orchestral or vocal, call forth different problems in the consideration of this question. For example, Gounod has made a well-known vocal arrangement of a chorale of Bach, under the title "Ave Maria." Personally, I find Bach's original music to be far more enduring than Gounod's version. But it would be rash to predict what Bach's reaction to such an arrangement would have been. Mendelssohn's lovely "Gesang Auf der Flugel" has been arranged in every conceivable form, some versions being very attractive indeed. Sir Henry Wood's orchestral arrangement of Bach's tremendous Toccata and Fugue in D Minor added, if that were possible, to the magnificence of this composition. Yet in all these cases, can it be said that such arrangements in any way truly interpret the composer's original ideas? I wish I were able to answer that question.

In the matter of solo performances such as recitals, the performer suffers from lack of support. On his shoulders, and his alone, is the responsibility for a good or bad recital. He may sing or play every written note with complete accuracy. He may phrase the music exactly as the composer has marked. He may faithfully interpret every written instruction of the composer. And yet, granted all these, he can fail to give an interpretation which truly depicts what the composer had in mind.

Whether or not one composer's music is easier to interpret than another's is a matter of degree. Schubert's lovely song-cycles for example, such as "Die Winterreise" and "Die Schone Mullerin" are full of those typical Schubertian melodies—rhythmic and of a cloying sweetness I find wholly beautiful. They are indeed such as only the finest singers should attempt. Compare this music with any songs like "Au die Musch" or "Der Poppenganger" and wide differences in style are readily apparent. The rest

Contributed By
"MUSSETTA"

lessness and sombre brooding of the "Poppenganger" ballade are notably apparent as contrasted with the rustic simplicity of "Schone Mullerin."

Perhaps enough has been said to illustrate my point, and also to expand my attempted answer to the question posed at the commencement of these notes. No one person, I imagine, would make the same points, and doubtless many who choose to read these notes will disagree with my own views. I quote my own views merely because they represent my own answer to this question. There are many other facets which need taking into account if the whole question is to be adequately ventilated. To do so, however, would absorb far more space than is at my disposal here, and perhaps in future weeks it will be possible to explore further avenues of thought on this undoubtedly controversial topic.

With 1949 now nine days old and memories of 1948 fading into the "limbo of things forgot," let us now see what the coming week's programmes hold in store. Apart from the old-established features, like "Itma," "Much Binding" and other regular programmes, we can look forward this week to the following outstanding programmes.

SUNDAY

Again the two-part Symphony Concert provides the main bill-of-fare for the evening programmes. The programmes scheduled is:

Water Music Suite Handel
Piano Concerto No. 1 in E Liszt
Tapiola (Symphonic Poem) Sibelius
O Del Mio Amato Ben Donaudy
Violin Concerto in D Tchaikowski
Classical Symphony in D Prokofieff

With such varied music as this, surely no one can quibble.

Handel's "Water Music" must be so well-known as to call for little comment. Truly Handelian in its construction, it alternates between grave and gay, from Bourree to Sarabande, from Gigue to Minuet. Written to commemorate the passage of the Royal Barge along the Thames, Handel has invested this music with his own inimitable style. Sturdy and robust where needs be, and soft-spoken in its gentler moods, the "Water" Music shows Handel at his very best.

The Liszt Concerto, in which Rubenstein is at the solo instrument, displays Liszt in his ephemeral vein. Unhappily, Franz Liszt did not bring to bear on his music those powers of forbearance which typify Brahms. Much of his music can only be classed as meretricious, a vehicle to enhance the pyrotechnical skill he himself loved to show off at the key-board. There is none of the depth of feeling behind this music which characterises all Beethoven's Concertos and those of Schumann and Grieg. The solo part is largely a brilliant opportunity for display of pianistic skill, and it is generally admitted to be lacking in any great depth of feeling.

Sibelius "Tapiola" is one of the finest works the Finnish maestro has composed, and it is based on ancient Finnish folk-lore. The orchestration and tone colouring are particularly beautiful, and for those who know Sibelius only as the composer of "Finlandia," it is the next stepping-stone to a fuller appreciation of his other works.

Donaudy's very lovely song is usually confined to tenors, and at one time I possessed recordings of it by Borgioli, McCormack, and Gigli. Need I say

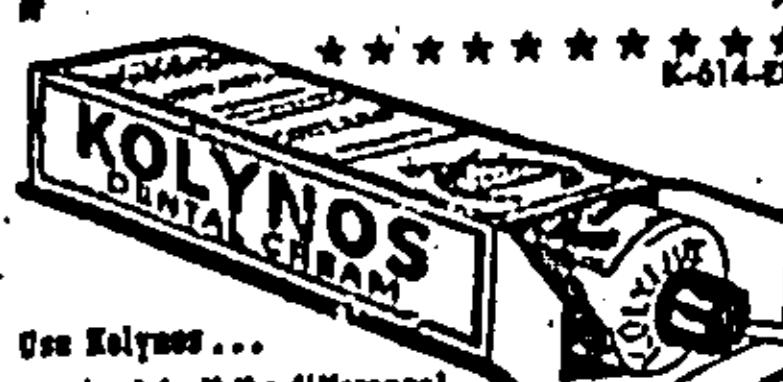
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the greatest of these was McCormack. Tonight it is sung by Claudio Muzio. Heifetz is the soloist in Tchaikowski's great violin Concerto. It is strange to recall that this work was rejected by the Vienna Philharmonic Society when it was first composed. However, Tchaikowski made certain modifications, and it was given a hearing. Today—even if it is not accepted as the best of Tchaikowski's—it takes a great artiste to do it justice. In Jascha Heifetz, we have such an artiste, and this should be a lovely performance.

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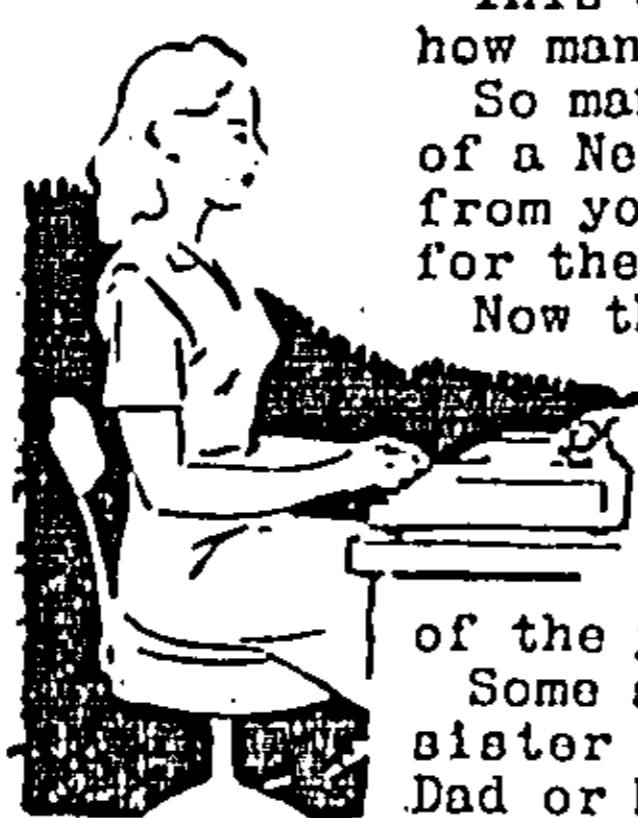
Tonight at 9.30 p.m. a radio version of Noel Coward's "Bilthe Spirit" is being given with Rex Harrison, Kay Hammond, Margaret Rutherford and Constance Cummings in the cast.

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Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER ...



This week I'm going to talk about "Resolutions." I wonder how many of us really understand the meaning of this word.

So many, no matter how young or old, use it at the beginning

of a New Year. I've already received quite a number of letters

from you telling me that you are going to have some Resolutions

for the coming year.

Now the word "Resolutions" really means something you are

determined to do to improve yourself, to become a bet-

ter person, and which you will keep doing. How many of

us really keep these promises to ourselves, however!

We may be able to keep them for a few days, weeks or

months, but how many of us keep them right to the end

of the year? I'll leave that for you to answer.

Some say, I'm not going to fight with my younger brother or

sister any more, and some may say, I'm not going to be rude to

Dad or Mum, etc.

Anyone reading your list will give a sigh and say, "It looks

very good, but I wonder if they will be kept?" And straight

away you will hear little Johnny, already crying, saying "Billy

hit me", or Mum calling, "Jane, darling, please get me the

sugar from the cupboard." "I'm busy," Jane may answer.

Why do we have Resolutions if we aren't going to keep them?

Come on, let us join together and make one Resolution to keep

all the Resolutions we've made this year. All right?

Off you go, and Good Luck, for you'll need it!

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Who Am I?

My first is in silk and also in satin,
My second is in Dutch and also in Latin,
My third is in spear and also in arrow,
My fourth is in parrot and also in sparrow,
My fifth is in loose but not in tight,
My whole shines best on a moonless night.

Answer: Star.

Honour certificate to Marion Mitwood, aged 9, of 50 Jubilee Buildings, Sham Shui Po.

A DISCONTENTED BEGGER

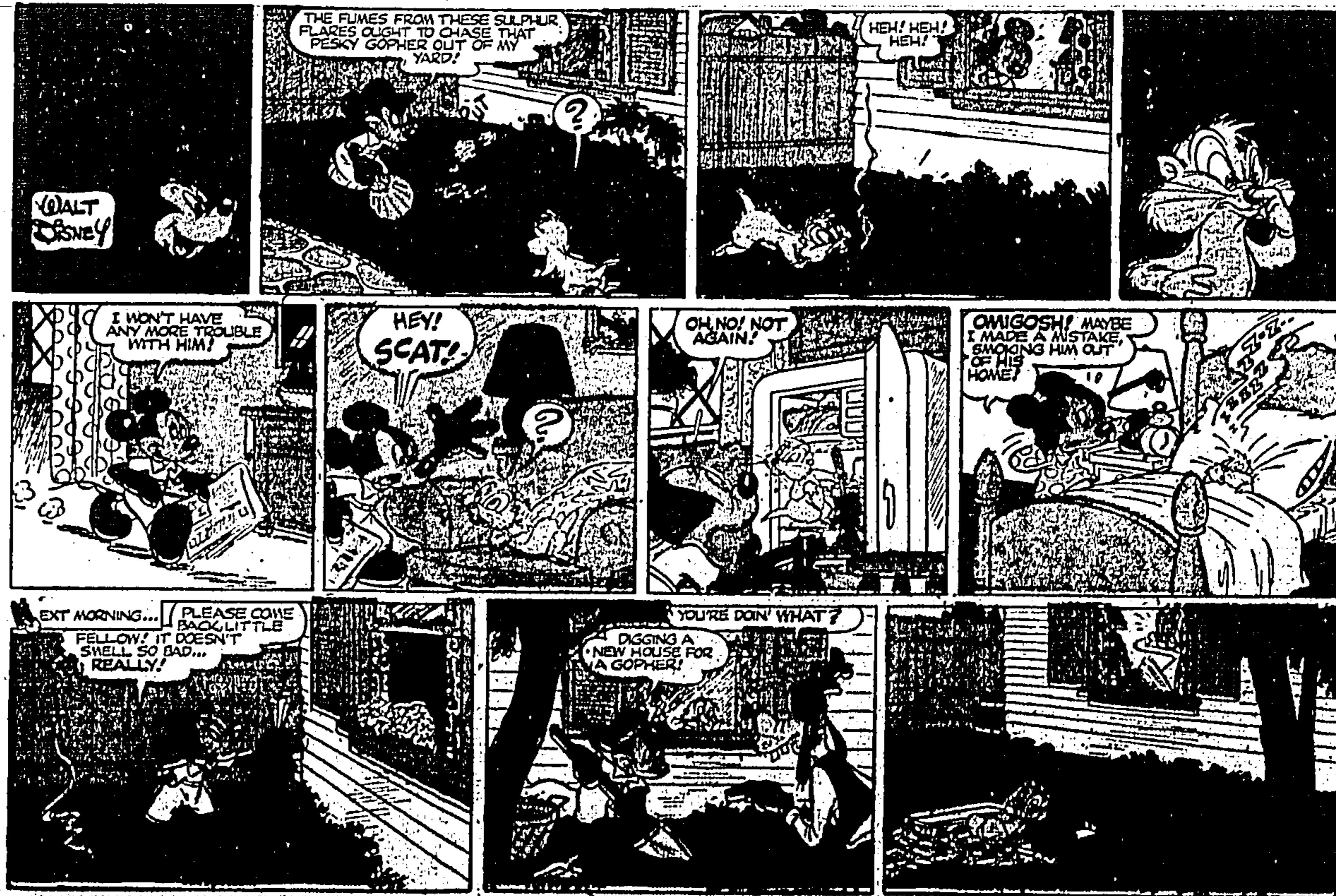
Once upon a time there was a very discontented beggar.

This?" He replied, "Please give me some more."

She did so. At last the wallet burst. All the gold fell down on the ground and turned into dust. So he got nothing, and his wallet was broken.

This served him right for being so greedy.

Honour certificate to Poon Kwong Tat of 68 Robinson Road, Hong Kong.



COMPETITION

This competition should prove interesting to many of you. What I want you to do, is to make a drawing of a dog, cat or girl, boy, a view, a house or in fact anything you like—with triangles.

It must be in triangles. Now, suppose you draw a man. Well! His ears, nose, eyes and mouth must be in triangles too.

First three prizes will be \$10, \$7 and \$5. Also three honour certificates for three points lot of you will enjoy it and you

may be surprised at the results. Don't forget to use ink to go over your drawing, for the three best entries will be printed in the "Children's Herald."

When you have finished, fill in the form below and send it to Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House, Hong Kong.

First three prizes will be \$10, \$7 and \$5. Also three honour certificates for three points awarded as consolation prizes.

NAME

ADDRESS

AGE

RIDDLES

Which is the coldest river in the world?

Answer: The River Ice (ice is).

When were there only two vowels?

Answer: In the time of Noah.

What is most like a horse's left hind shoe?

Answer: His other shoe.

Why are tall people more lazy than short ones?

Answer: Because they are tall.

Why is a waiter like a racehorse?

Answer: He runs fast.

Why doesn't it matter if a beggar wears a very short coat?

Answer: Because he runs fast.

Why are washer-women great travellers?

Answer: Because they are tall.

Why is coal a tricky thing to buy?

Answer: Because it will be.

It generally goes to the cellar.

Because when bought; Answer: A

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They are continually "crossing the line" and going

"across the line" and going

In The Mailbag

JENNIFER of Post Office Box 1056, Kowloon. I'll be glad to have paper dolls you mentioned in your letter, but I'm afraid I won't be able to print them in the Herald. Sorry to disappoint you, but I hope you do not mind.

OLWYN ANN, sorry to hear that you will be leaving the Colony soon. We'll miss you and will hope to hear from you once in a while when you have time. Au Revoir.

FANNY HO, HENRY HAMID AND WINNIE READ, thank you so much for all the trouble you took to draw Christmas cards for me. They were really lovely and everyone admired them. I do appreciate your good work.

H.C.C. Members

NAME: Helena Law.
ADDRESS: 118, Caine Road,
(2nd fl.) Hong Kong.

AGE: 15.
HOBBIES: Reading, sewing, knitting, swimming, cooking and other housework.

NAME: Bobby Liu.
ADDRESS: 4, Essex Crescent,
Kowloon Tong.

AGE: 10.
HOBBIES: Collecting stamps.

NAME: Jack Liu.
ADDRESS: 106, Gloucester
Road, (2nd fl.)

AGE: 13.
HOBBIES: Like to draw pictures, and read stories.

NAME: Rayburn Lim.
ADDRESS: 15 Cameron Road,
(ground fl.) Kowloon.

AGE: 13.
HOBBIES: Collecting bus tickets, reading books, comics, and sports.

NAME: Clarence Loong.
ADDRESS: 4, Rotland Quadrant, Kowloon Tong.

AGE: 11.
HOBBIES: Like to read comics and ride bicycle.

NAME: Lee Wai Lam.
ADDRESS: 242, Nathan Road,
(2nd fl.) Kowloon.

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Painting, drawing, and music.

NAME: Edward Lima.
ADDRESS: 26, Parkes Street,
(top fl.) Kowloon.

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Interested in collecting movie stars' photos and shows.

NAME: Robert Lang.
ADDRESS: 9, King's Terrace,
(3rd fl.) Kowloon.

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Collecting stamps and coins.

NAME: Carolyn Janet Barbara Lee.
ADDRESS: Lyton House, Mody Road, Kowloon.

AGE: 13.
HOBBIES: Sports, songs, and collecting all kinds of greeting cards.

NAME: Anthony Lin.
ADDRESS: 219, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

AGE: 10 1/2.
HOBBIES: Drawing and stamp collecting.

NAME: Sheila Lalchand.
ADDRESS: 18-20, On Lan Street, Hong Kong.

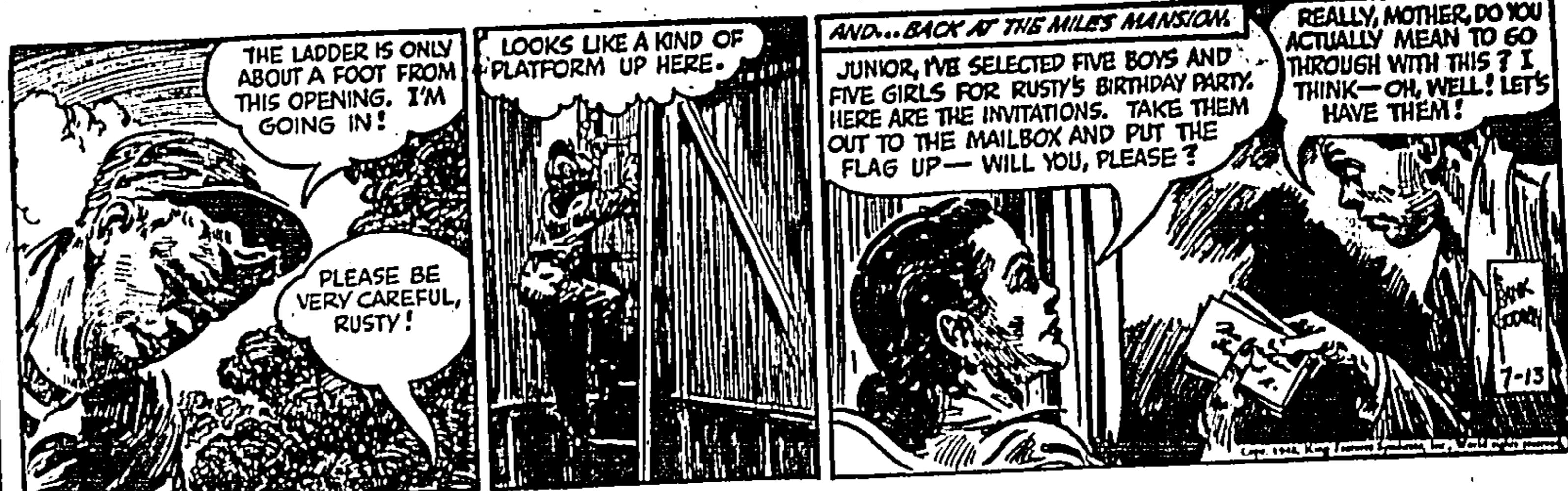
AGE: 12.
HOBBIES: Reading, drawing and painting.

NAME: Eduardo Lelino.
ADDRESS: 29, Hillwood Road,
(1st fl.) Kowloon.

AGE: 12.
HOBBIES: Photography, and collecting old coins also notes.

RUSTY RILEY

By Frank Godwin



AND... BACK AT THE MILES MANSION.
JUNIOR, I'VE SELECTED FIVE BOYS AND FIVE GIRLS FOR RUSTY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY. HERE ARE THE INVITATIONS. TAKE THEM OUT TO THE MAILBOX AND PUT THE FLAG UP—WILL YOU, PLEASE?

REALLY, MOTHER, DO YOU ACTUALLY MEAN TO GO THROUGH WITH THIS? I THINK—OH, WELL! LET'S HAVE THEM!



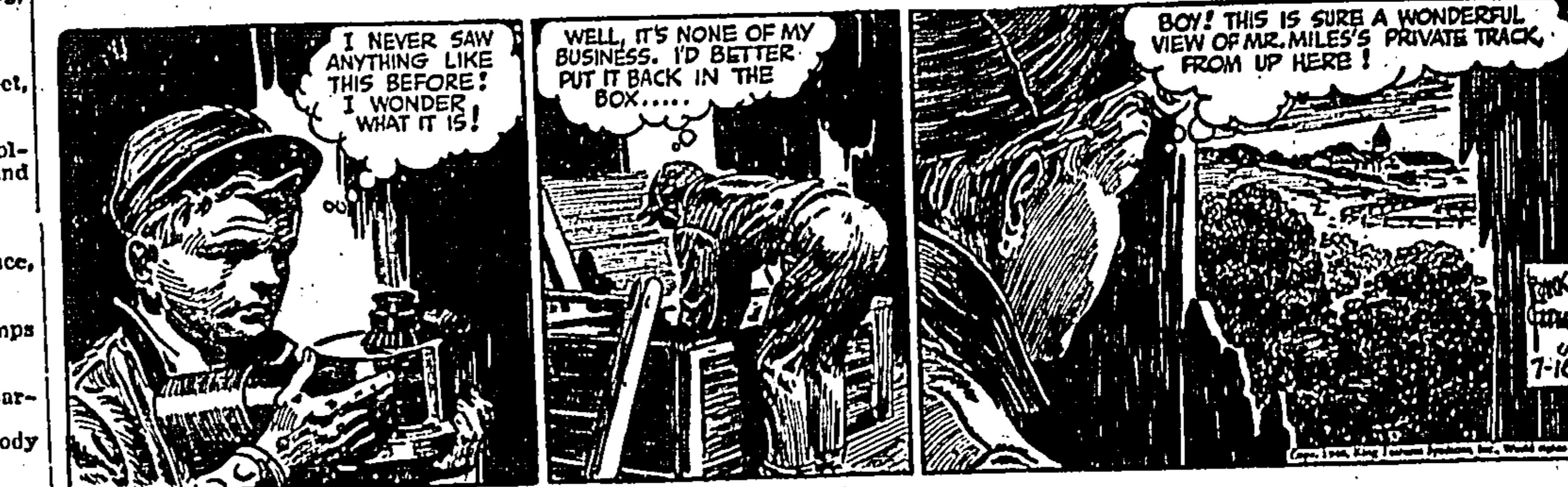
NOW BACK TO RUSTY, WHO IS CLIMBING A LADDER INSIDE THE OLD, ABANDONED SILE...

GOLLY! NOT A THING UP ON THIS PLATFORM BUT AN OLD BOX... I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

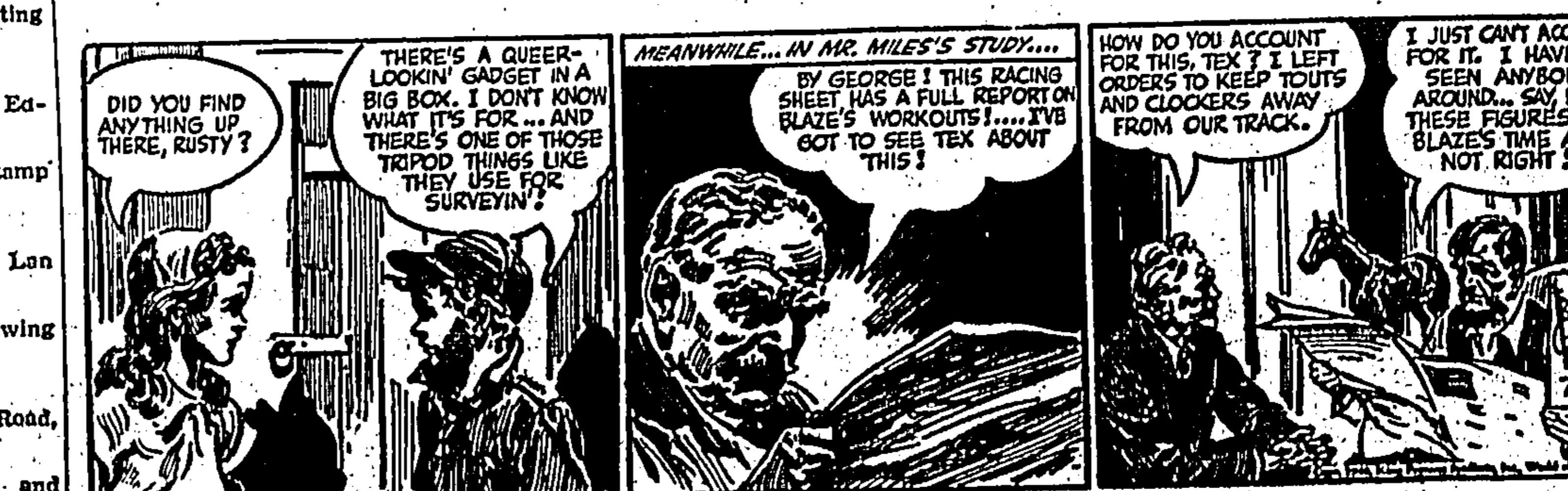


BOY! I'LL SAY THERE IS!
BUT WHAT ARE THESE GADGETS??

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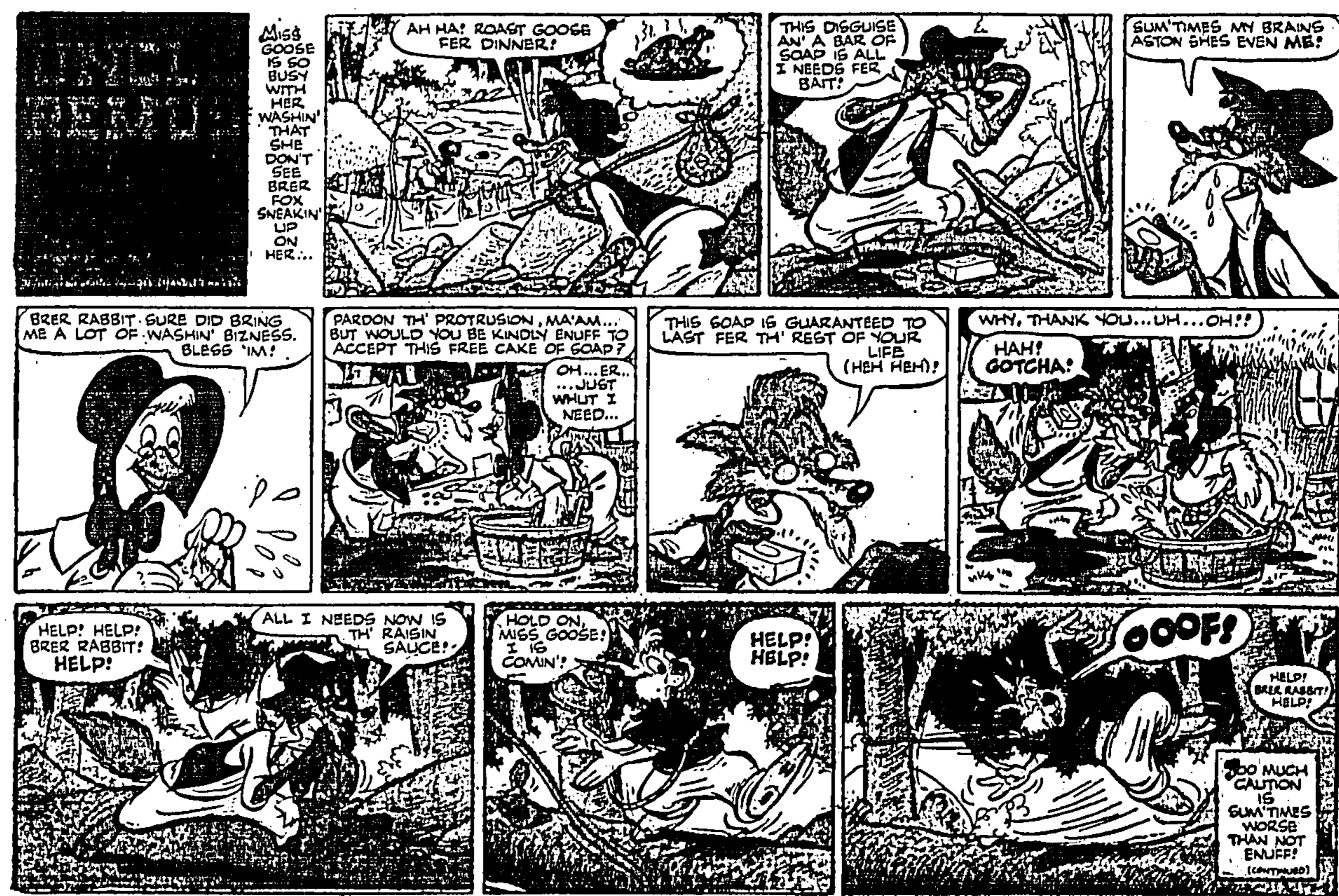


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I JUST CAN'T ACCOUNT FOR IT. I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYBODY AROUND... SAY, BOSS! THESE FIGURES ON BLAZE'S TIME ARE NOT RIGHT!



A VIEW



Honour certificate to Albert Xavier, aged 15, of 10 Austin Avenue, Kowloon.

A Beggar's

Once upon a time there was a selfish fruit seller who pushed his hand cart about. One day he went to a certain town to sell his apples, and he found a good position in a very busy street.

It was summer and the days were hot, but the fruit seller was in luck, for a group of people soon gathered round him.

He was certain that by night he would have sold all his apples and have a pocket full of money. Soon an old man whose clothes were in pieces came up to the fruit seller and in a quiet voice begged for an apple, as he was old and tired and also very thirsty.

"Please, give me one of your apples, just a small one," "No," replied the selfish fruit seller, "I will not give any of my apples away to old beggars." "Please, give me one, I have no money but I will give you my blessings in return," said the beggar. "Who wants the blessings

Punishment

ing of a beggar?" shouted the fruit seller.

A passer-by saw the poor beggar and bought an apple for him. He ate it, and threw the seeds on the ground. Straight away a green plant appeared. This interested the people and many pushed forward to see what would happen next.

The plant grew bigger and bigger until it became a big tree. Flowers began to appear and soon the tree were full of apples. The beggar distributed the apples to all the people around him, then when there were no more apples he left them.

The selfish fruit seller was amazed. All of a sudden he remembered he was supposed to be selling apples. He turned round to his cart and saw that it was empty, without a single apple in it. For a moment he could not believe his eyes.

He started running after the beggar, but he had already disappeared. Now the fruit seller felt sorry he had been unkind to the beggar.

Unkindness had been punished and he had lost all his apples as well as the money he had hoped for.

Honour certificate to S. A. Rama, aged 13, of 62 Jardines Bazaar (1st fl.) Hong Kong.

"New Year" Winners

First prize of \$10 has been sent to Elsie Childe, of 45 Chungking Arcade, Kowloon; second prize of \$7 goes to Irene Lindel, of 60 Macdonnell Road, Flat 8, Hong Kong; and third prize of \$5 to Jessie Childe, 45 Chungking Arcade, Kowloon.

Honour certificates of five points have been awarded to Margaret Sli, of 41 B Nathan Road, 2nd fl., Kowloon; Tommy Taus, of 8 Somerset Road, Kowloon Tong; Robert Leong, of 12 Castle Road, 2nd fl., Hong Kong; Marion Millwood, of 50 Jubilee Building Sham Shui Po; Kathleen Law, of 197 Wanchai Road, ground fl., Hong Kong; and Wong Tit Hong, of Man Sang Co., 142 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

Honour certificates of three points go to Edison C. Ha, of 40 Hankow Road, 3rd fl., Kowloon; Jimmy Lew, of 39 Wong Nei Chung Road, Happy Valley; Tso Shiu Kit, 14 Pilgrim Street, 3rd fl., Kowloon; and Bernadette Lee of 119 Cheung Sha Wan Road, 2nd fl., Kowloon.

Congratulations to you all!

Joe Charlie has dyed his hair. But don't say that I told you.

Jim: I'll give. Why?

Joe: He wants to keep it dark!

Doctor: What is the matter, child?

Girl: In my dream, when I count sheep, lambs keep jumping in and I can't do fractions!

A WAR HERO

In France during the Second World War, he was hidden among the trees, a man who often looked this way and that as if someone was following him. He was a young and tall man dressed like a farmer, though he didn't look like one.

The road near which he was hidden was in a valley between two mountains, the left of which was occupied by the Nazis while the right one was reoccupied by the Allied Forces. What made the road important was that it meant death to both the Nazis and the Allies if they ever attempted to pass it.

He was panting but, in spite of his exhaustion, he kept on advancing. He was a French Spy who pretended to surrender himself to the Nazis as an officer and was responsible for all the news he had heard in the enemy camp.

That night, he learned that the Nazis intended to strike in order that they might get back the other mountain. As telegraphic communications were damaged, he could not send a telegram. So, risking his life, he escaped by creeping along the road and went towards his destination, the mountain where the Allies had camped.

It was midnight and as the stars shone brightly, he could be seen easily. So he was then revealed under the search-lights from the Nazis and machine-gun fire was heard. Unfortunately, he was hurt in his leg. No sooner had the guns been fired again than he jumped behind a rock and disappeared from view.

He rested there for a couple of minutes, then started on again dauntlessly. The wound kept on bleeding and after covering a distance, he was exhausted and finally fainted. It was not until dawn that he was found by the guards, and was carried to the camp where he, half-dying, told everything about the Nazis who had decided to send soldiers to attack the Allies early in the morning.

The C-in-C then ordered the soldiers to prepare and guard every corner of the camp. When her

the Nazis arrived, they were suddenly attacked. After a long fight, the Nazis were driven backwards and were defeated.

Because of his ordeal the man died after hearing news of victory. But the man's name was carved under the column of heroes on the memorial stone in the middle of the road. His body was buried with honour in Paris.

Honour certificate to Norbert Chan, aged 15, of 61 Sing Woo Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

Fill In The Form

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Print Name and Address very clearly.

NAME

ADDRESS

AGE

BIRTHDAY

HOBBIES

Pen Pal Wanted

Who would like to write to a girl in Kowloon?

Her name is Winnie Read of 23 Lock Road, 3rd floor, Kowloon. She is a H.C.C. Member and often sends in very good articles for the "Children's Herald."

She's been asking for pen pals in both Hong Kong and Kowloon and I hope someone writes to her.

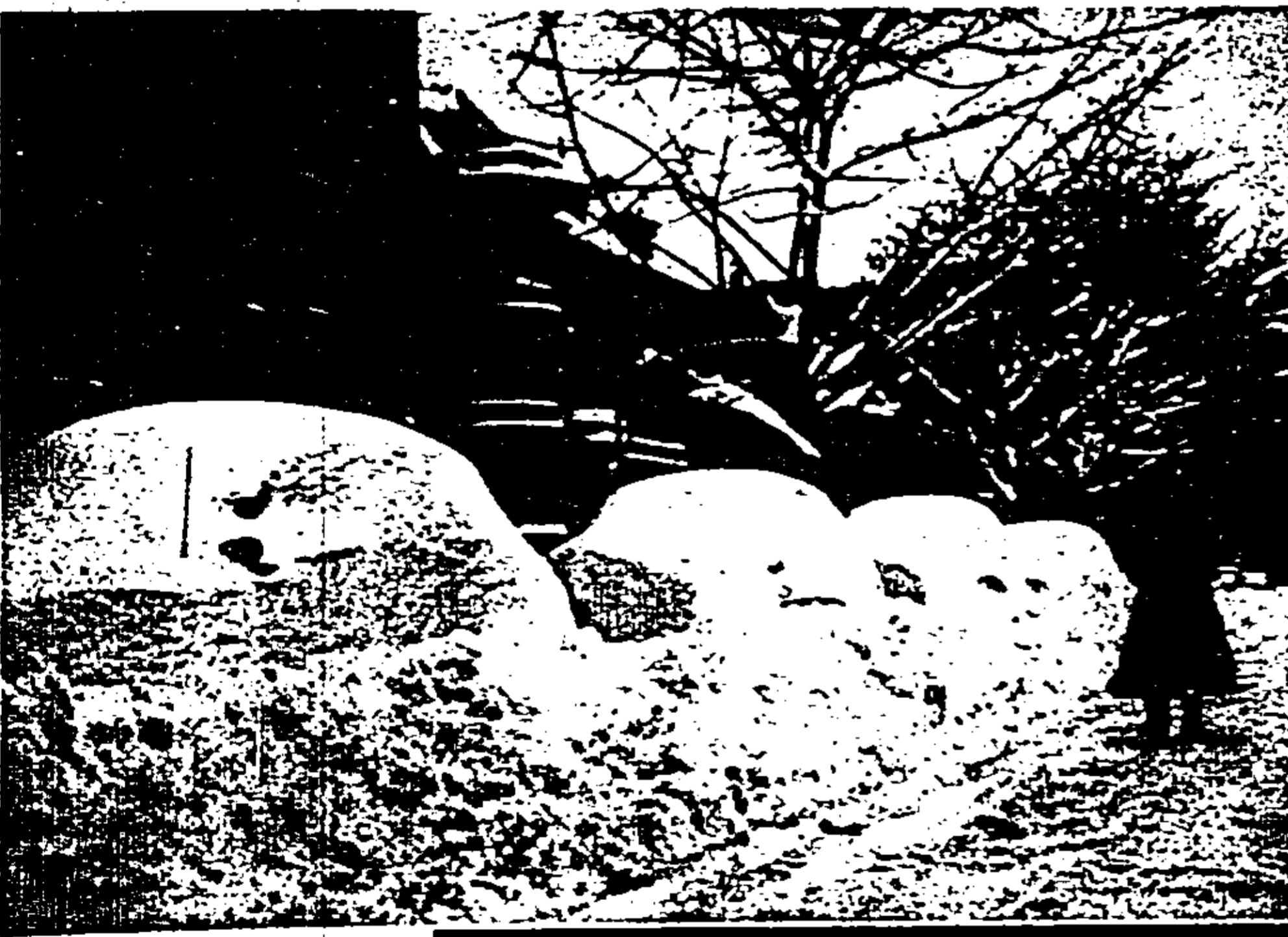


Prince Charles Philip Arthur George of Edinburgh, the one-month-old son of Princess Elizabeth. This photo by Mr. Cecil Beaton was taken at Buckingham Palace.—Photo distributed by A.P.



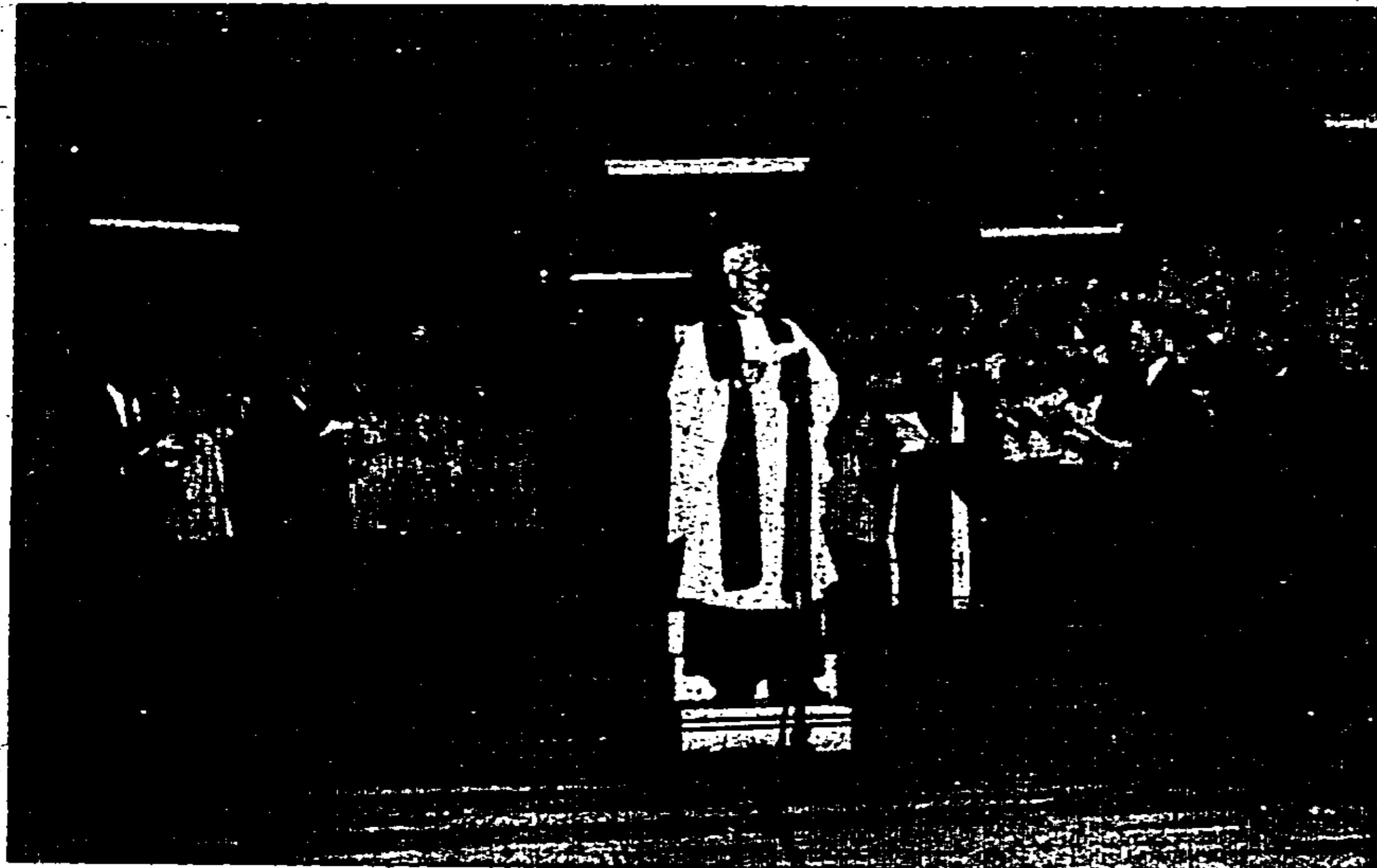
Sir Man-kam Lo, prominent local solicitor and Chinese representative on Hong Kong's Executive and Legislative Councils, knighted by the King for his services to the public, receives the award from the Governor of Hong Kong, Sir Alexander Grantham, at Government House. On the Governor's right is Sir Shouson Chow.—"China Mail" photo.

A tree from the forests outside Oslo was sent to the children of London by two British boys, Peter Parkin Kennedy, of South London, and Dale Goffe, Sea Scout of HMS Discovery, as a gift from Norway. The opening ceremony of erecting the tree in Trafalgar Square was performed by the Mayor of Oslo, Mr. H. E. Stokke.—A.P. photo.



New York City was covered by almost 20 inches of snow recently. It was the third heaviest snowfall in the city's history. The humps in the picture above are snow-covered cars in a Brooklyn street. (A.P. photo)





One of the many special Christmas services held in the Colony was at the Chinese YMCA, Kowloon Branch. The mass service held there was conducted by Archdeacon Lee Kau-yan. (Mayfair photo)



Two baby boys were baptised at St. Andrew's Church last week. They were Gordon Hepon, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Walker, and John Knox, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Jasper.—Mayfair Photo.



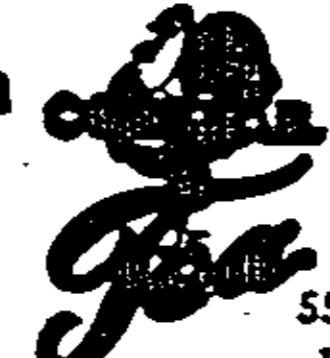
Miss Ada Mary Beatrice Morton of Australia became the bride of Mr. H. E. Waeny of Switzerland at St. John's Cathedral last week. The above photo of the happy couple and a friend was taken at the reception, held at No. 21, Tung Shan Terrace, Stubbs Road.—"China Mail" photo



The two children of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. G. Fotheringham—Barbara in the arms of her mother and John in front of his father—were baptised on Boxing Day. The group above was taken after the ceremony at the Kowloon Union Church. (Mayfair photo)

A group of friends and relatives photographed after the baptism of Anthony Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sanh, at St. Andrew's Church last week. — Mayfair photo.

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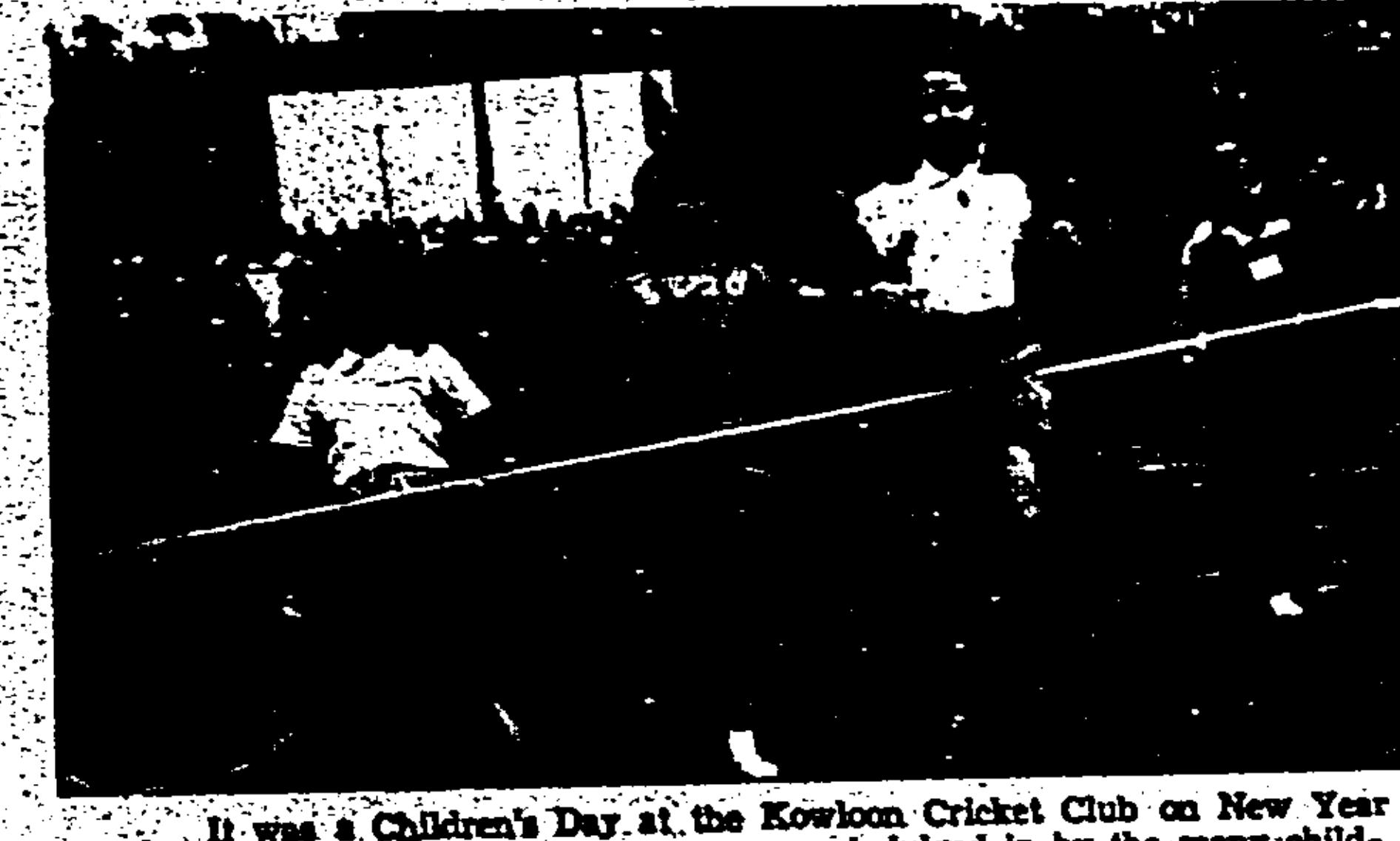
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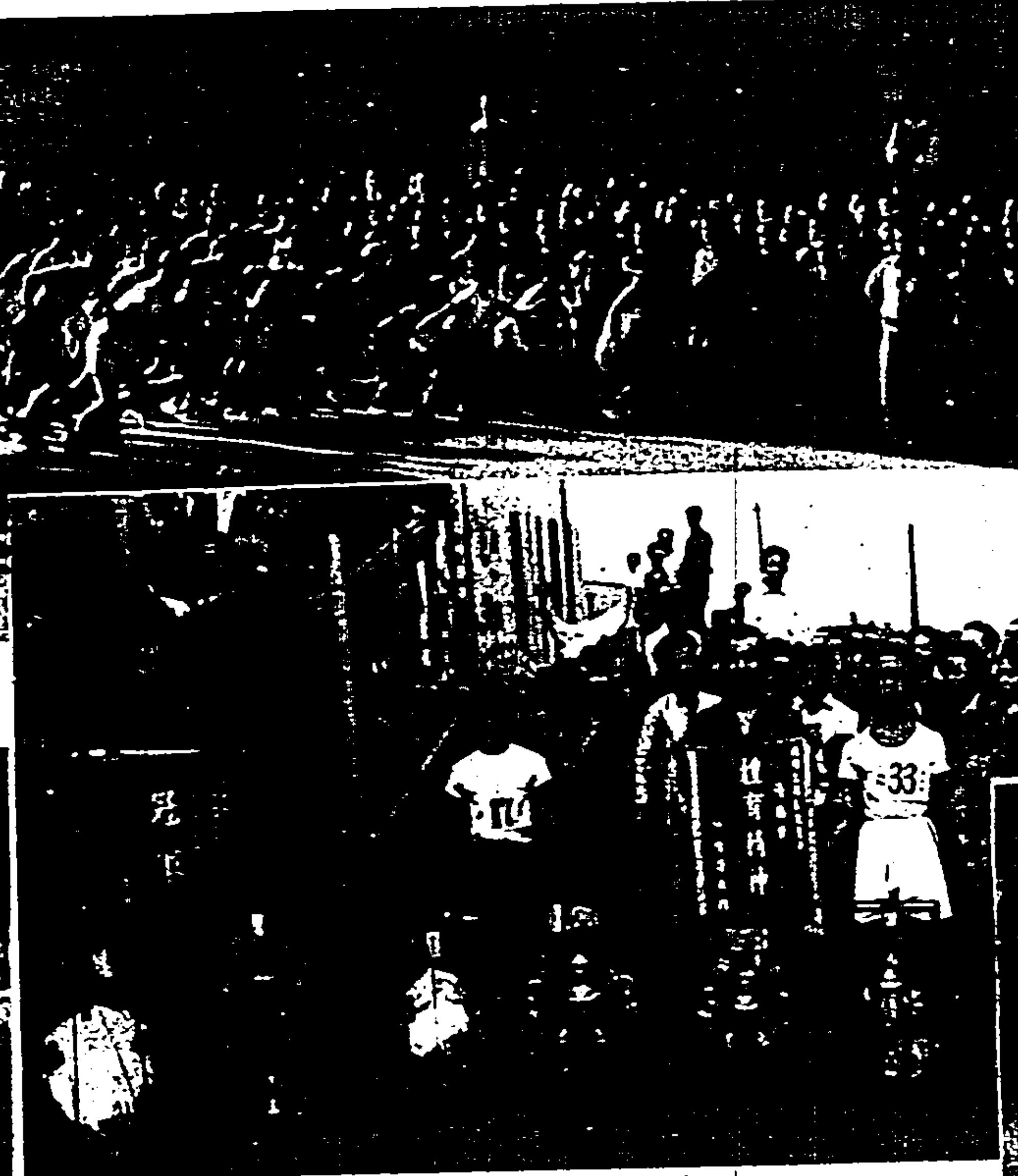
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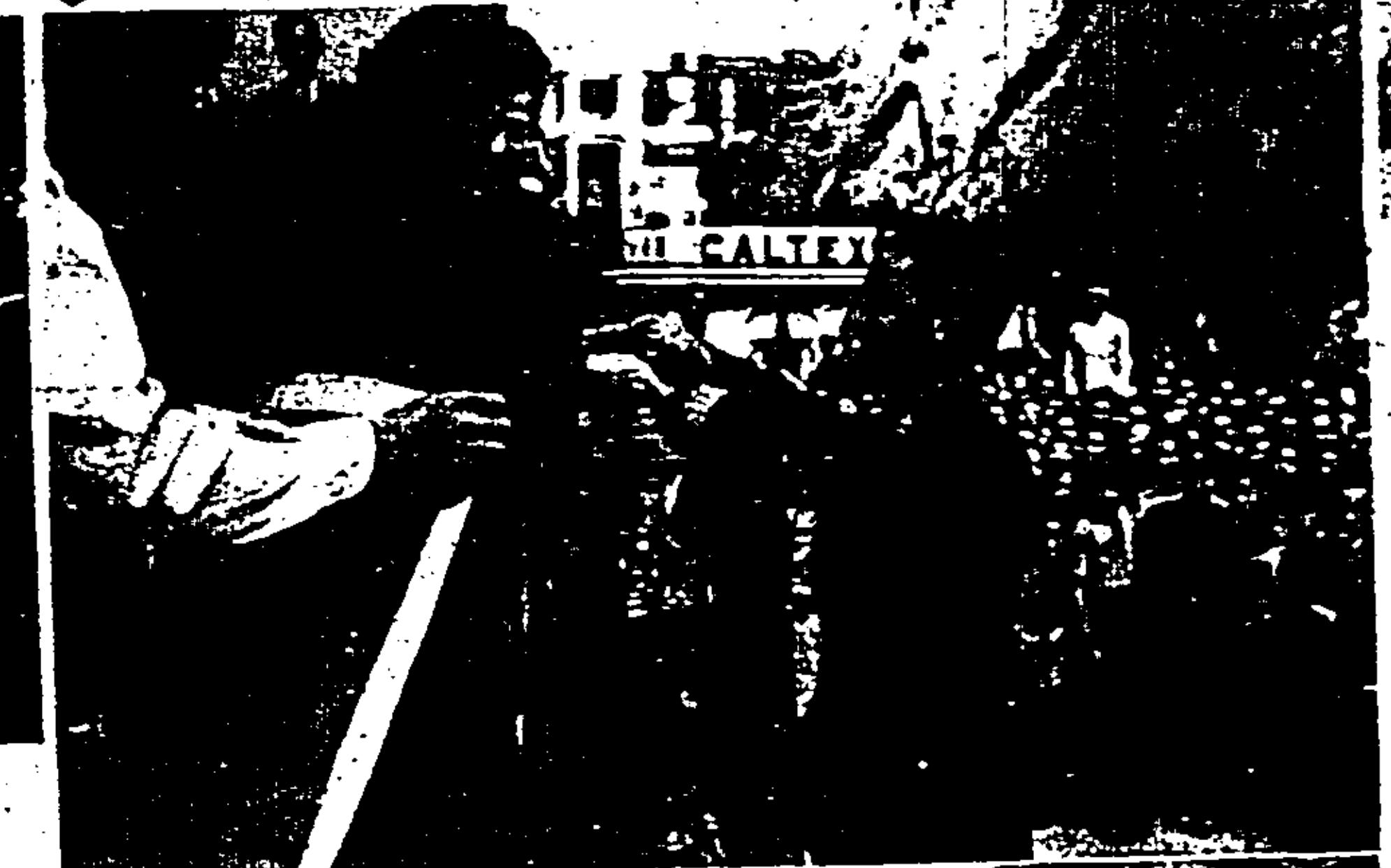


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This is the former War Memorial Hospital building at Mount Kellett, to which the Royal Naval Hospital will move on January 14. "China Mail" photo.

Three-year-old Kenneth Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gottfried, had a Christmas party last week at No. 42, Bluepool Road. Here is a picture taken of Richard and his friends in front of the Christmas tree. (Golden Studio photo)



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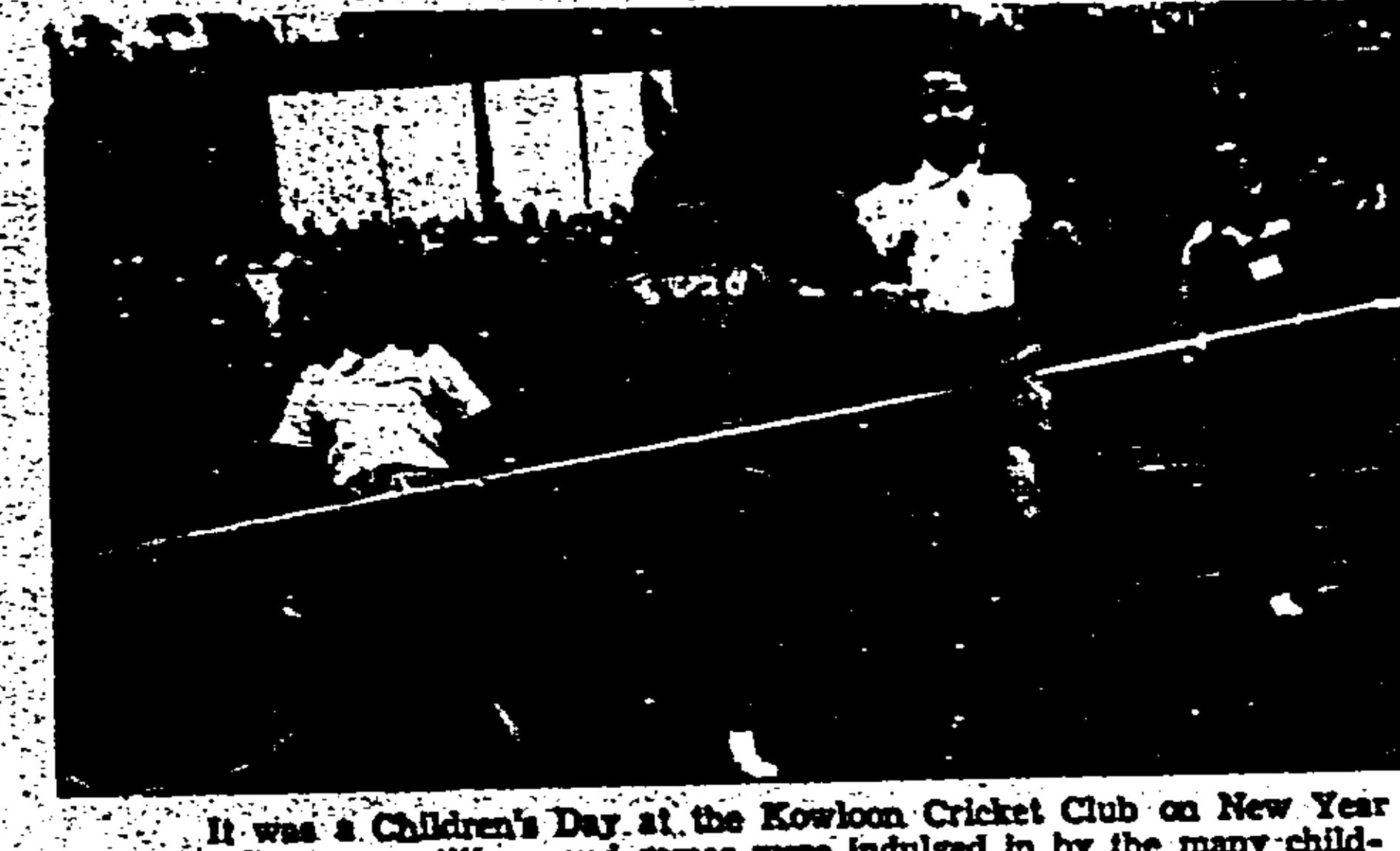




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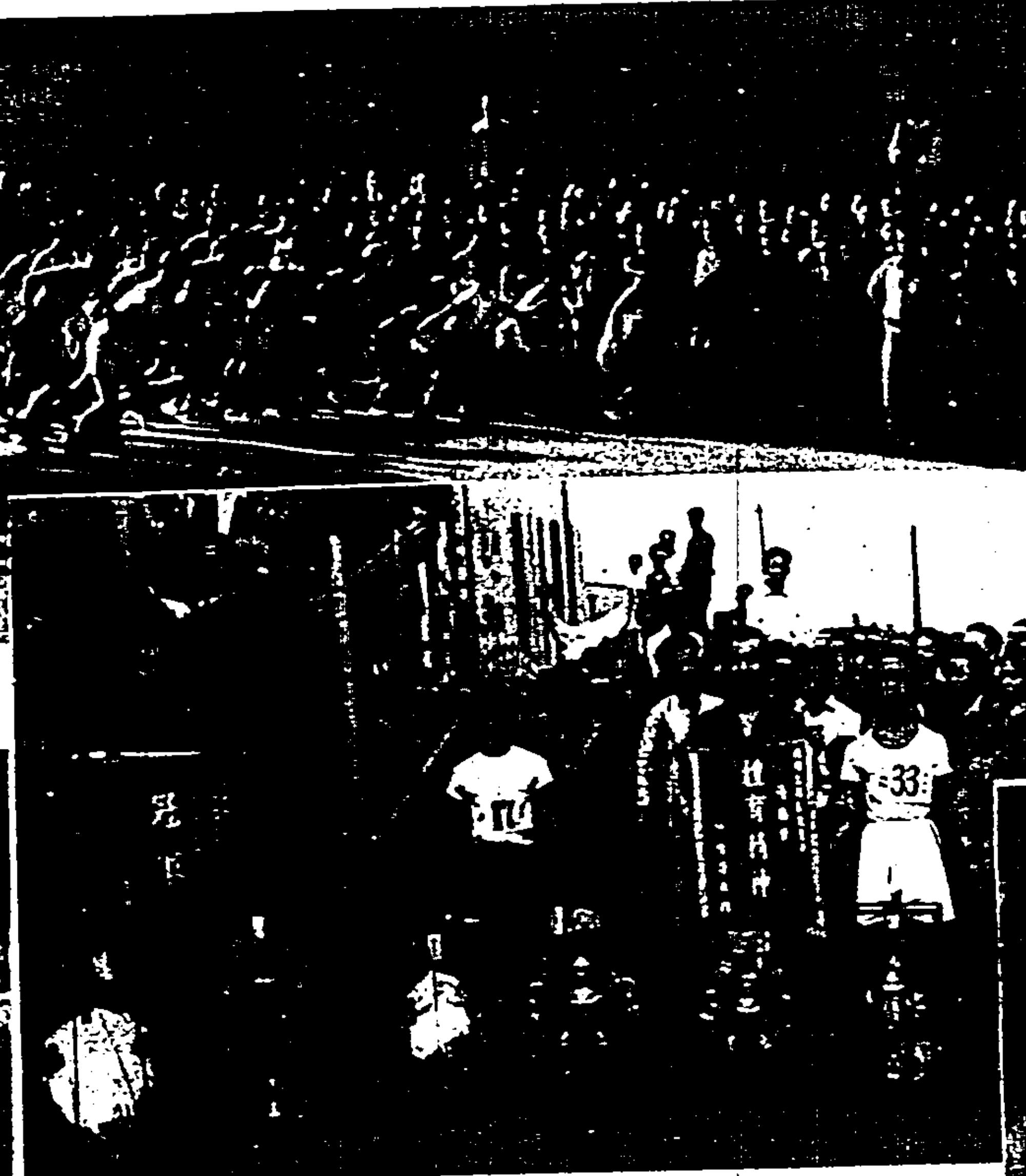
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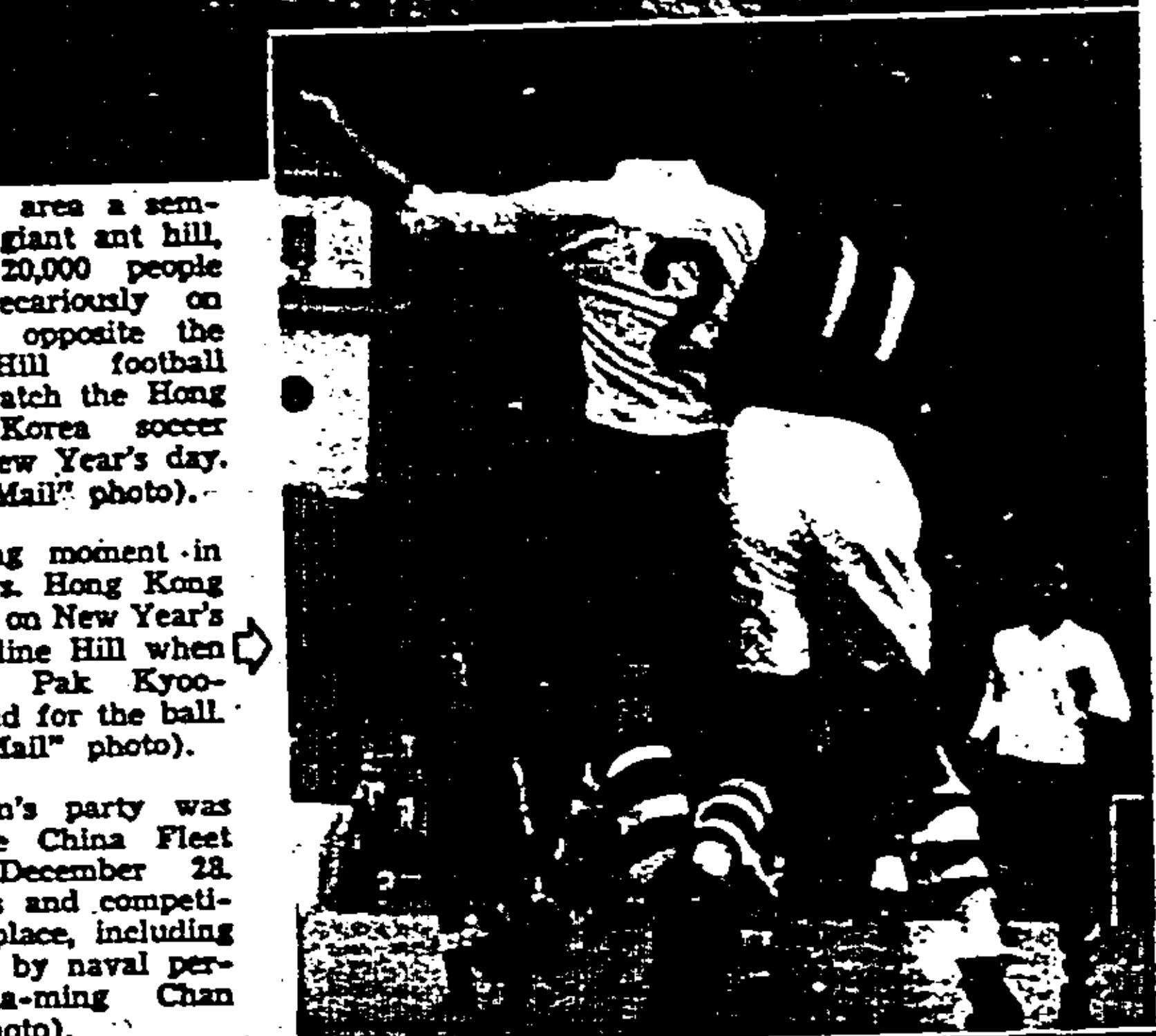


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The Name With Memories

The centuries roll away as we give a loyal greeting to the baby Prince Charles of Edinburgh, born in direct succession to the Throne of England and of Scotland.

The name means "noble spirited." Some people would apply the description to the two Charleses who wore the Crown, and to the third who claimed it.

Others would not. It depends largely upon whether you are Cavalier or Round-head, Catholic or Protestant, English or Scottish—or, if the truth must be told, upon the way history was taught to you.

One thing is sure. The bestowal of this name upon Princess Elizabeth's first-born, will give immense pleasure North of the Tweed, where the appeal of the gifted, romantic, unfortunate House of Stuart still stirs Scottish hearts.

They remember far more vividly than the sluggish Southerner that pathetic king, obstinate man, and faithful husband, King Charles I. Charles the Martyr, some of them call him to this day—and gather in annual tribute to his memory.

The Artist

In London the wreaths are laid at the foot of Le Sueur's wonderful equestrian figure in Trafalgar-square. This is accounted the finest piece of statuary in the capital. It is right that it should be so, for Charles I. was the most artistic King to have occupied the Throne.

The centuries since he died have been enriched for us by the great collection of pictures he bequeathed to his successors. The study of his children—and the dogs—by Van Dyck is one of the most charming, and heartrending, of the Old Masters.



Charles I.

Charles II.

"Bonnie Prince."

It can be argued, too, that Charles I. bestowed great benefit upon his country because he was responsible, though unwilling, for the beginnings of our parliamentary system. But this would be to say that nothing in his life became him so much as the manner of his leaving it—and there we enter upon controversial ground.

His son and heir, Charles II., was altogether more alive, more robust, more "bounding" than his aesthetic father. He was no martyr. He was a libertine even in that loose-living age.

Yet he was a shrewd king, too, and a master of statecraft. He saved the Monarchy at a time when it was constantly threatened by the still strong forces of Republicanism.

Navy Planner

Our sailors own him much, and so do our soldiers. He took a personal interest in the Navy, and reorganized it with the aid of that brilliant administrator Pepys.

Last of this line—so far as we are concerned—was Charles the Young Pretender, that Bonnie Prince Charlie who aroused the Highlands as no man has done before or since.

He was young, personable, gallant. But he was ineffective and, many now say, unworthy of the love and loyalty he inspired. In thousands of honest breasts and of the lives that were given in his already lost cause.

So the historical memories come crowding on the christening day of another royal Charles. This baby is not of the Stuarts, though he is indirectly descended from them. Nevertheless, on his grandmother's side, he can trace his ancestry back into the dim mists of early Scottish history.

Good Omen

Too, we should remember that one of the greatest kings in Christendom was a Charles—the mighty Charles, or Charlemagne, who created the first United Europe.

That is a good omen for this baby Prince Charles. May he, in his lifetime, see the attainment of old ideals towards which we, once again, are struggling.

G.M.

General Knowledge Answers

1. A ventriloquist.
2. This is the ninth month of the Mohammedan year, observed as a thirty days' fast between the hours of sunrise and sunset.
3. A washer set between wheel and an axle-tree.
4. A bar of wood or metal the ends of which hold the spindles or axles of a pair of wheels.
5. A summer drink made with claret, soda-water and sugar.
6. It began with an 18th century club formed to discuss literature, at which men wore blue stockings to deny convention which insisted on black.
7. Cat's-Cradle.

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The Case Of The Volume Of Poe

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"We hear a lot of things," said Slater. "And we know you — no woman, mind you — killed DeGolyer. When you looked at that book last night, Mr. Haines, to be sure, you'd found the right one, a drop of blood fell from your cheek and splashed one of the pages. DeGolyer had fought you and scratched your cheek. You got a piece of plaster on it now. You carried the book to the old man's desk, and there the drop of blood fell. You found a blotter and tried to soak it up. This is the blotter you used. Here's the corresponding stain. There may have been a woman with you in the alley — I don't know — but she had no active part in killing DeGolyer."

"It's a lie!" screamed Haines. "You're trying to frame me!"

"Two other points," added the Captain. "The knife wasn't in DeGolyer's rack, for there's isn't any rack; and anyway Mr. Allardyce knows everything the old man had in the place. And it wasn't DeGolyer's knife. Finally, when Sergeant Slater phoned me a little while ago, I sent a man around to the undertaker's I understand he's just come back."

The door opened and a plain-clothes man came in. He nodded significantly, and at once Captain Costigan continued his monologue.

"Finally, the bit of skin scratched out of your cheek has been found under the right thumb nail of the man you murdered."

It was some time before Capt. Costigan turned his attention to Allardyce. When he did, his face was stern and hard, as he began: "I understand you have been insulting one of the city's most insulting reporters!"

"I'm afraid that's true," Allardyce admitted. "But honestly, Captain, he had it coming to him this time."

Costigan's frown deepened. "You took the law into your own hands; you could be punished for assault."

Allardyce began to stammer. "Well — he had no right in Miss Courtney's home, and so I —"

"Did you throw him on his ear?" snapped the Captain.

"I'm afraid I did."

"Did you hit him?" persisted the officer.

"Yes, I did. You see —"

Suddenly Capt. Costigan was grinning amiably and rubbing his hands with an ecstatic washing movement.

"Well," he chuckled, "that's the best news I've heard since Braddock beat Baer. You know, for years I've been wanting to take a poke at that sardine fellow. And now, if you don't mind, I'd like to shake the hand that shook Dame Woolfolk."

Allardyce laughed as they shook potent rights. Then he said: "You won't hold Miss Courtney any longer than necessary, will you?"

"Miss Courtney," said the Captain, looking at his watch, "has been at home now for nearly an hour. We released her as soon as Bancroft gave her a clean bill."

Then Costigan watched Allardyce passing rapidly through the front door.

"Well, well," he muttered, "that young man is in a hurry!"

THE END

NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Ocean Dock, Southampton.
2. The freighter, "Richard Borchard."
3. The ss General Moigs.
4. Ivan Toguri d'Aquino.
5. Colonel Sir James Sleeman.
6. Cardinal Mindszenty.

New Books

IN EVERY MAN ONE MASTERPIECE

By PETER QUENNELL

At the heart of every block of stone there is said to lie concealed a statue patiently waiting to be dug out. So in the accumulated experience of the most commonplace human life may lurk a literary masterpiece — if talent and imagination could but bring it to the light of day.

Now and then the unexpected happens. Some non-professional writer makes his pen a chisel. He chips away at his mass of memories, and we have another novelist — there are perhaps already half a dozen — whose reputation depends upon a single brilliantly successful but unrepeatable effort.

Eugene Fromentin, for example — of whom the late George Moore used to declare that he might not be a very good painter, but that he was the only man in Europe who gave the right aristocratic kink to the tails of Arab horses.

1863—Translated

After years of depicting Eastern scenes, which he did with painstaking accuracy but utter lack of genius, Fromentin suddenly composed a novel, working on the recollections of his own remaint youth and of an unhappy love affair that had filled his early manhood.

The result was *Dominique*, first published in 1863, now translated by Sir Edward Marsh into smooth and flowing English. It did not command when it originally appeared — nor is it ever likely to command — a very large audience. It is too modest, too restrained; the narrative moves onward too quietly and gravely. But each generation breeds a crop of new admirers. It is quite unlike any other book of the kind. Incidentally, it is one of the finest studies of young love in French or English literature.

The basis of the story is extremely simple. *Dominique*, a rather solitary and sensitive youth, meets and gradually begins to love the cousin of a school friend. Just as attraction is becoming passion he discovers that she is destined for a rich conventional marriage.

On To Paris

In course of time he follows her to Paris, where he finds her transformed into a fashionable young married woman.

B.B.C. HIGHLIGHTS

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10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Anthony Pini (violincello)

Prelude: Lohengrin..... Wagner Violoncello Concerto in E minor Elgar

Symphony No. 2 in D..... Brahms 11.45 WORLD AFFAIRS—A survey by Gerald Barry.

Saturday, January 15

General Overseas Service

A.M. 11.15 SYDNEY LIPTON—and his Orchestra

P.M. 4.30 'UP THE POLE'.....

5.00 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'.....

6.00 GERALD SHAW—at the organ of the Rivoli Cinema in Cairo

6.30 'MUSICAL PATTERNS'—Minuet and Trio—an illustrated talk by Frank Dauntton.

9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN

9.15 RAY MARTIN—and his Orchestra

10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL

10.15 SATURDAY SPORT—Including

commentaries on Association Football; Rugger International; Wales v. England. (Programme announcements and music included in this period.)

Variety Fare

(Continued from Page 4)

In "Bilthe Spirit" Noel Coward seems to have found again the light touch of quick satire and brilliant humour which made "Private Lives" one of the best modern comedies. In such plays as "Tonight at 8.30," "This Happy Breed," and "Cavalcade," he struck a different note to the hard brilliance of "Private Lives." In "Bilthe Spirit," that element returns again, and there is no better master of the type than Coward.

I recall Kay Hammond's tremendous and infectious performance in the role of the "spirit" and Margaret Rutherford (remember the nurse in "Miranda") was, as always, a joy to behold and hear.

WEDNESDAY

At 7.15 p.m. tonight there is the first of a series of five broadcasts entitled "Wednesday at 7.15." Edna da Carle is presenting this studio programme, in which local talent is being brought to the "milk." As a "live" feature, it will be interesting to hear what our local performers can put over the air in the way of entertainment. All success to them!

THURSDAY

At 8.30 p.m. Max Bruch's No. 1. Violin Concerto in G. Minor is being given. This was heard over the air here some three months or so ago, and those who missed it then will be amply repaid for giving it a hearing tonight. The lovely second movement more than justifies the whole concerto. Critics hold the first movement is perfunctory, and that may or may not be a true criticism. I find the whole concerto is well-worth hearing, since it is not a "popular" work and opportunity to listen to this music are few and far between.

SATURDAY

As with the B.B.C., Saturday evenings from 6 p.m. onwards are probably the peak listening hours of the week, when more people listen to their radio than at any other time.

It is therefore something of a surprise to find listed tonight at 8.30. Act 1 of Wagner's "Die Walkure," sung in German. Friday evening used to be operatic night, but a bold move has been made to switch over to Saturday. Reactions to this move will be interesting.

Wagner's "Ring des Nibelung" is based on ancient German and Norwegian folk-lore, and in setting the story to music, Wagner initiated a development in the operatic world. He himself describes this work as a "music-drama," where the orchestra assumes equally important role as the singers.

It is a strange work to hear for the first time, and some perseverance (if that is the right word) is needed if the fascinating web Wagner spins is to enthrall the listener. Complete departure from normal operatic conventions is the first and obvious impression to be derived. The sombre harmonies, foretelling in striking manner of the drama to be unfolded, sound a little bizarre at first. All in all, however, this broadcast will prove of consuming interest, and particularly the comments of the listeners in their reactions to this choice over a peak-listening period.

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BRIDGE

By YARBOROUGH (Colonel G.G.J. Walsh)

It does not follow that a player should always bid merely because he has the values and it is his turn to bid. It may be better psychology to pass when an opponent has kept the bidding open.

The textbooks are a guide to the proper bids but not to the proper psychology. Bids are based on values but psychology on the other players. All whining players are good psychologists otherwise they would not win. They may not be so very expert in the tactics of play, but their superior psychology in bidding will more than offset their occasional lapses in play. Common errors due to poor psychology are:

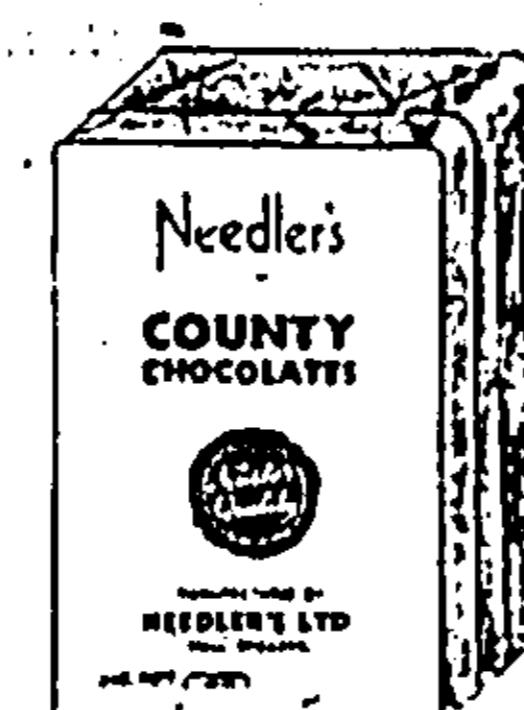
1. The response of One No-trump when a one-over-one bid in a suit, however weak, is available;
2. The response of Two No-trumps over one in a suit on inadequate values (only two and a half quick tricks) and indifferent guards;

3. A rebid by the opener at the high level of three on little more than his opening values.

There is no excuse for poor psychology in these early bids, which are largely a matter of system. In the later bidding there are more severe tests of psychology, e.g., should a player bid Four Diamonds over Three Hearts which may be passed and a game missed; or should one side bid Five Spades over Five Hearts when it is evident Six Hearts can be made (and may not be bid); and Six Spades can cost too much.

It is surprising how much of the later bidding depends on psychology and how little on system. This is why so many shrewd business men who have little time for instruction are better than average players. Perhaps it is that their inferences on mannerisms (undue pauses, degree of agony, etc.) are so accurate that these supplement their psychology.

Early system bids are automatic and should be independent of mannerisms. Psychology plays little part in these. In the later bidding it is impossible to shut out completely all inferences, accurate or otherwise, on the usual innocent mannerisms. A player can however, eliminate mannerisms if he cultivates a habit of (a) taking the same time over all but the most difficult bids and (b) making his bids in as uniform a manner as possible. This is particularly important in the case of habitual partners.



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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. If you were asked to define the meaning of "polyphonist" would you think in terms of (a) a ventriloquist (b) music (c) an animal with many feet (d) a tumour or (e) multiplying glass?
2. What do you think is meant by the observance of Ramadan?
3. A shoulder-washer is correctly described as?
4. What is an axle-tree?
5. Badminton is generally accepted as meaning a game in which a shuttlecock is hit to and fro across a net with light rackets? What else can it mean?
6. We all know what is meant by a blue-stocking. But do you know how the term originated?
7. You all know this game. It is played with a length of string with its two ends tied together, alternately lifted by each of two players from the fingers of the other on to his own to form fresh and more intricate symmetrical designs. What is it called, correctly?

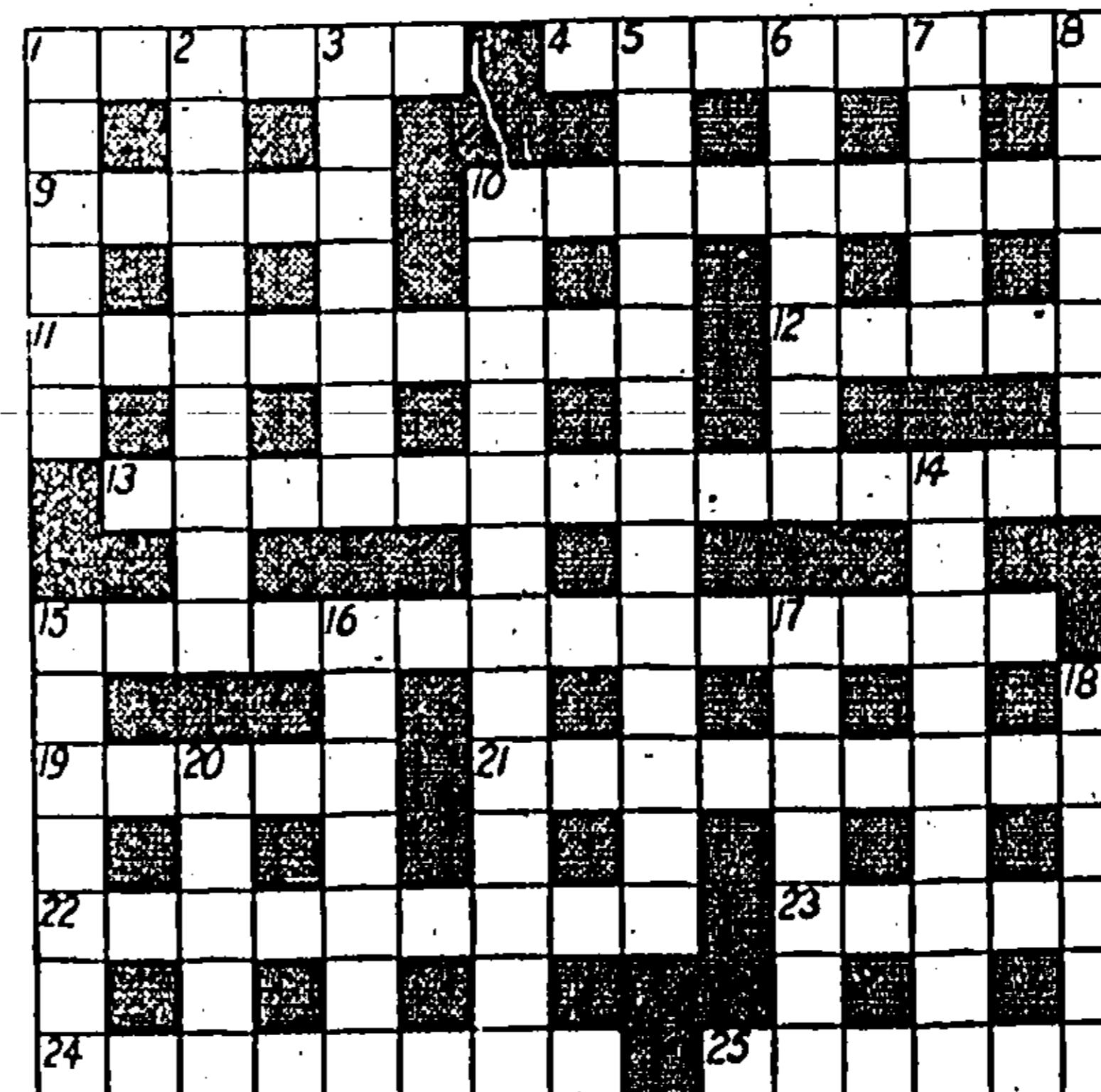
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NEWS QUIZ

1. The great British liner "Queen Mary" went aground near Cherbourg during a gale. Where was she taken for examination afterwards?
2. A British ship was fired upon by the Egyptians in the vicinity of Tel Aviv. What was the name of the vessel?
3. The American President Line put its first ship into Hong Kong since the West Coast strike. What was the name of the vessel. If we are permitted to repeat the question? Tokyo Rose is to stand trial in May. Do you remember her proper name?
4. The Chief Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas arrived in Hong Kong on Tuesday. He is?
5. The Hungarian Foreign Minister released to the Press what he suggested were photostatic copies of documents passed between the arrested Hungarian Primate and Catholic officials in Austria. What is the name of the Primate?

(Answers on Page 11)

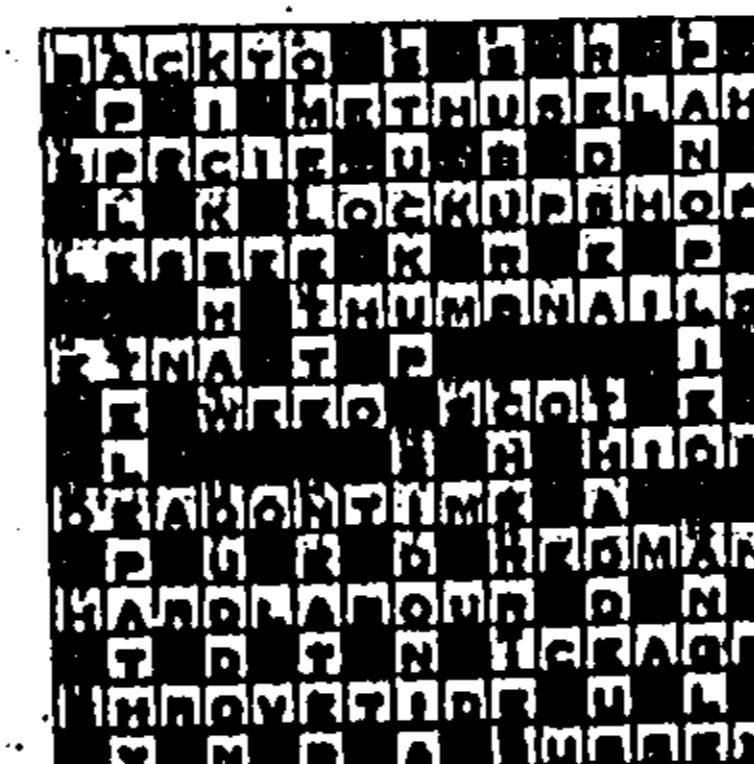
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ACROSS

1. Bede had it in reverse. (6)
4. Bess does get haunted. (8)
5. Tobacco from a candle. (5)
10. Sounds like the rule of the superiors. (9)
11. The not so tall boy might use it on the blackboard. (4, 5)
12. Cowcatcher. (5)
13. Describes one who can be virtuous without reward. (4, 3, 7)
15. e.g., Yellowstone Park and Kruger National Park. (6, 6)

SOLUTION TO NO. 89



19. If Tom comes back first you'll get the idea. (5)
21. Naturally the one for even the non-arsene to put on a horse. (4, 5)
22. A page for the artist? (4, 5)
23. Claw in cards. (5)
24. Result of coast erosion? (8)
25. Saul's home town. (8)

DOWN

1. Did a Victorian lady wear it when she was in a hurry? (6)
2. Resting places for cannon. (9)
3. Put out of countenance? (7)
5. Parting place in the Strand, perhaps. (8, 5)
6. Shouldered by Service high-ups. (7)
7. Bugs for sending away. (6)
8. "And—night-long, the cool and pleasant breeze." Of the steady trade winds blowing. (Masefield). (3, 4)
10. Appropriate action with a tumbler, yet hardly at table. (4, 4, 5)
14. Frozen meadows. (3, 6)
15. Build up the super-tonic? (7)
16. To get the first one is an opportunity. (7)
17. Criminally safe place. (7)
18. But sports fans often sit in them. (8)
20. The bride, however, is not for going away in. (6)



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A splendid way to remove rust from nickel-plated rims is to hold a paraffin ring lightly against them, at the same time causing the wheel to revolve by briskly turning the pedals (advises Domesticated George, shaking his head in a puzzled fashion). Should this prove to be impossible, then the chances are you are standing on the brake.

Never put your ear too close to a spinning hub, in the hope of detecting a mysterious rattle, or as sure as fate your tie will get caught in the spokes and you'll be strangled! (cries Domesticated George, jumping up and tearing his collar on the tall-light).

Beware of the awful little oil-cups in inaccessible places! (shouts Domesticated George, anxiously sucking a greasy finger). Remember, you have only 10 paltry fingers to last you a whole lifetime!

Be warned in time by one who knows! (roars Domesticated George, seizing his wife's machine by the front wheel and furiously dragging it back to the shed on its saddle). Of all the savage, evilly disposed things in a blackheated world there is nothing so deliberately vicious as a ferocious, bloodthirsty, brutish, pitiless bicyclist.

So saying Domesticated George wiped his hands on his hair and swaggered boldly into the larder and stole the remains of the Christmas drink. He then retired to the bathroom, where he remained, splashing violently and singing rude soldier songs until pleaded with to remember his New Year vows.

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"An Arab pound, backed by gold, and financed by the reactionary, feudalistic British landlords is about to be established among the Muslim countries." So stated a Moscow broadcast to the Arabs.

Propaganda by word of mouth is reaching me daily of the mischief which is being created by the suggestion that Britain is out to build a new pro-British, anti-Russian Arab League.

All this culminates with a new Russian propaganda drive in the Arab countries and the efforts which are now only too obvious in the organisation of the Arab League.

Before the Palestinian affair developed into an insoluble tangle, more, they received a real chance for the British that a strong and friendly Arab League might play a useful role in preventing a backlash against possible aggression in the Middle East.

Terrific Boost

True, this policy was brought with danger, but it seemed at the time right to give it a chance.

The Arab leaders believed fervently in the Atlantic Charter as a kind of international guarantee of their ultimate independence.

British prestige was a terrible blot on the Middle East following the creation of the Dominion of Pakistan.

But the first crack appeared with the realisation that agreement with Egypt is extremely difficult and with the mounting tide of anti-British sentiment in that country.

It soon became apparent that our championing of Syria's cause had given us a purely local popularity, and that we were still suspected of imperialist aims.

Rifts Appear

Then, with the development of the Palestinian crisis, it began to appear in the Arab League Higher Command. Today it is fairly obvious that the League has not stood up to its first major test.

Cairo, which is not an essentially Arab capital, was never the place for the spiritual home of pan-Arabism. Its corruption, its cosmopolitanism, its political fevers and nepotism made it merely a city of intrigues between warring leaders.

It is not generally realised, owing to the rigid censorship imposed, what a terrible beating the Egyptian armies have taken at the hands of the Jews. This has been a bitter blow to Arab prestige.

And how ironical that such a censorship should be imposed by the very men who try to invoke the Atlantic Charter and play such marked lip service to Roosevelt's "Four Freedoms."

Frankly, the war with Israel is not nearly as popular with the Arabs as has been represented. In North West Africa Arabs and Jews have continued commercial and economic co-operation.

Feudalistic Fascism

Though a vast bloc of hostile Arab states from the Middle East to Morocco might well be a danger to Western European interests, in a form of Arab feudalistic fascism sprang up in the guise of nationalism, a weak and disunited Arab world is an even greater danger.

It means this to the British Commonwealth.

The whole of the Middle East and the vital oil supplies would be completely at Russia's mercy. Even now the Soviet trans-Caucasian railhead at Jufa is linked by military roads and railways with the Persian Gulf.

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WHAT IS BRITAIN TEACHING GERMANY?

At a European environment—but in all the essentials we are running true to form.

Period Ended

In Justice to our administration in the zone, military and civilian, it must be said that there are now few traces left of the foot

least alarming. Not a drop of alcohol could be obtained on the premises.

Social Scene

Many British women were present, and it was they who dominated the social scene. Some of the German girls had brought their brothers with them.

Less commendable forms of fraternisation doubtless still exist under the surface, but there is general agreement that they are much less common than two years ago.

All these changes are for the better, but against them must be set the dangers inherent in the growing insularity of our regime. This is the traditional weakness of British administration abroad, and it is now as apparent in Germany as it was during the height of our power in India.

The extent to which the Services and the C.G.C. have succeeded in insulating themselves from their German environment is quite astonishing.

The British colony in any of the larger towns—servants apart—largely self-sufficient. It will often have three respondent clubs—for Officers, Other Ranks, and the C.G.C. There will be a couple of cinemas devoted to English and American films, and a theatre for visiting variety and dramatic shows.

Sports facilities of the most varied kind—from Soccer and tennis to horse-racing and clay-pigeon shooting—have been made available in the zone.

If there is another race in the world which could ignore its environment to the extent of playing football—as we do—at BELSEN!

How are the Germans themselves reacting to this changed pattern of the British way of life in the zone? The fact is that where they do come in frequent contact with the British they could hardly be more collaborationist in their attitude.

Service units are allowed to organise a limited number of "fam" dances for Other Ranks. Curiously, though it may be, no modern mother would have found the proceedings in the

greatest vileness.

True, under British administration the Jews made a start on cultivation. They erected miles of water pipelines and ploughed the desert. Barbed-wire—ringed, stockaded settlements sprung up overnight. To the Negev went the youngest, toughest settlers, the most efficient Haganah commanders. The Jews boasted: "We have made the desert bloom. We can grow asparagus on a billiards table if necessary."

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Are those self-sufficient British colonies unduly limiting the impact of the British way of life?

Has the time come when—because it is important they should understand us and the Western world—we should make a more determined attempt to understand the Germans?

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Born and reared Irene Lentz, on a ranch in Montana, her ambition was to become a concert pianist. At the University of California a bashful friend asked her to accompany her to night classes in costume design, and Irene agreed.

"After a few days," she says, "I was convinced that designing was the thing I most wanted to do." She abandoned her musical career, and after a grounding in sketching, pattern-making, cutting and fitting, opened a small shop on the campus. A year later she launched her first Hollywood shop.

Then came another and larger shop, an exclusive clientele culled from Hollywood's smart set, trips to Europe for research and inspiration, and finally the offer from M-G-M. Today, from her large cream and mirror office, Irene supervises a staff of assistant designers, artists and workroom experts with cool competence.

Her clothes are significant for their good taste and perfect cut. Her dateless, consistently smooth suits, are her forte. She loves detail, embroidery, drapery, has a flair for designing wonderful negligees, nightgowns and pyjamas.

"Keep it simple, make it suitable, be sure that you like it, that it is comfortable and moves well; dramatize it with striking accessories and frivolous hats," she tells her clients. Build your wardrobe round a good suit. With some smart blouses, a few simple dresses and a couple of good coats, you will be well dressed."

Illustrated are her own sketches of camera clothes designed for Myrna Loy and Katherine Hepburn to wear in their latest films.

Anna Temple

Sold Engagement Ring

During a financial sticky patch about a year after we had married I told my engagement ring without telling my husband.

My own life has been full of ups and downs, and I have frequently had to part with my possessions. I had then no idea my husband attached such sentimental value to gifts.

I cannot pluck up courage to tell him. I could stand his anger, but I just couldn't bear his hurt. Is it possible to soften the blow?—LL.

That you can understand his being hurt saves the whole situation. Usually people who are flippant with their own possessions ride roughshod over other people's susceptibilities about symbols and tokens and "things."

If you break the news that you have been terribly worried and unhappy for some time about something—and let it come out after you have shown your appreciation the enormity of what you did—you will, I think, be quite generously forgiven and no grudge left.

But, of course, many a wise woman would say that, to touch your husband to his silent, and that it would be tactful to wait for a nice sticky financial patch and quietly buy back the ring or one like it. That you couldn't stay happy without it would be the best proof of your appreciation.

(4) Give experiment and adventure a place in your work—“I'll try anything once” sort of thing. Anything once reason naturally.

It is the duty of a husband to make a will in favour of a wife who has always contributed to

joint savings (all in his name):

We have one child. Though he is 60 my husband just taught when I mention it and says he'll do it some day.—PUZZLED.

Making a will at all is an obvious duty. Apart from safeguarding the interests of the survivors, it eases the transition to the clean-cut, straightforward thought for others where thought is most needed.

Curious how many there are

who procrastinate. With many of them it is

the only point in their lives at

which they refuse to be realistic.

I am somewhat lacking in that

essential quality to success—

adaptability. Will you please

help me to overcome this?—PEGGY.

(1) Learn first to make decision promptly. Practise on small, unimportant matters that need no exercise of choice. Weigh the pros and cons swiftly, and act. The habit of agility of mind, the ability to go into action without a lot of preliminary warming-up, is essential to adaptability.

(2) Get into a different frame

of mind. Instead of looking down and in, look up and out—alert, ready, willing.

(3) Set aside a definite time

each day to be receptive to things and people, and at the end of

the day write down what you have learned and gained from this.

(4) Give experiment and ad-



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New Labour Legislation
In America

Washington, January 8. The chairman of the Senate Labour Committee, Senator Elbert Thomas, today introduced three bills carrying out President Truman's labour and education proposals:

1. Legislation repealing the Taft-Hartley labour law and restoring the Wagner Act.

2. A bill raising the minimum wage fixed by the Federal wage law, from 40 to 75 cents an hour.

3. Legislation to provide US\$500,000,000 annually for Federal aid to the State for education.

Senator Thomas says that repeat of the Taft-Hartley law will call for new legislation, but the new provisions can be worked out as amendments or additions to the Wagner Act.

Representative John Leibeski, prospective chairman of the House Labour Committee, however, favours one proposal which would repeat the Taft-Hartley law and at the same time make necessary changes in the Wagner Act.—United Press.

COULD 20—RAF
HK Police 0

It would have been bad luck had Army lost, but they did come near defeat in the last ten minutes.

The score in my way indicates the run of play; the combined team produced some of their best football of the season, their forwards, especially, under the leadership of a newcomer in Command from Singapore, having a grand time.

Both teams were slow to start, the Army having a better chance by not following up early in the game. The Army full back was given two opportunities of recovering himself after losing the ball, not one Navy player following up on either occasion.

Stovell was undoubtedly the most outstanding player, although when they had the opportunity, Hinkin and Nicoll showed they could attack.

Army kicked off and Navy took the ball into Army half; however, Army came back and after a long kick ahead on the left wing, Navy were forced to touch down. Misconduct spoiled many Navy chances, and play remained a dead ball, while, apart from Wilson and Stovell, they lacked fire in the loose.

John Henderson gave his back plenty of the ball but, until late in the game, their attack was most ineffectual, principally because all of their movements were across the field, time and again, with their wings going to the right.

Both teams were slow to stop the forward rush, owing to lack of determined lying on the ball by the defenders.

Wilson, playing his usual grand game at wing forward, harrowed his way over after some scrappy play to open the scoring, J.R. Henderson missing narrowly with a difficult kick.

Play continued at mid-field, the combined team putting in one or two good foot rushes, only to be sent back by good kicking by the defenders.

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Exciting Climax Marks IRC-KCC Game

HKU Beat Scorpions; Optimists Defeated

An exciting climax marked the drawn First Division cricket match between Indian Recreation Club and Kowloon Cricket Club at Sookunpoo yesterday, the Indians needing only one run for victory with four wickets to spare at the close of play.

A stylish 122 not out by J. M. Gosano paved the way for Hong Kong University's 91 run victory over HKCC "Scorpions" at Sookunpoo. At Chater Road, HKCC "Optimists" again had to admit defeat at the hands of Army, this time by five wickets. C. Dave, batting with delightful freedom, knocked up 75 for Army before being bowled.

Craigengower, who entertained Club de Recreio at Happy Valley, were easily beaten by their guests, who won by six wickets.

IRC—KCC

The First Division Cricket match between Indian Recreation Club and Kowloon Cricket Club at Sookunpoo ended in a draw when IRC needed only one run for victory.

KCC batted first and knocked up 147 runs, A. Zimmerman top-scoring with 34. A. R. Kitchell was in fine form with the ball for IRC and dismissed four of the KCC batsmen for 17 runs.

At the close of play, IRC had reached the same score as their opponents for the loss of six wickets. M. L. Razack (45) and S. A. Ismail (39, not out) were the top-scorers for IRC.

N. Hart-Baker took two wickets for 22 runs.

KCC

E.C. Fletcher, b Arculli 11
H. Hart-Baker, c Allar, b Arculli 10
A. Zimmerman, c Nazian, b Omar 34
F.R. Zimmerman, b Kitchell 17
T.A. Madur, st Ismail, b Ismail 22

H. Hart-Baker 22
J. Barrow, b Kitchell 8
J.P. Hewitt, b Arculli 0
G.E. Taylor, b Kitchell 13
V.C. Bond, not out 5
R.E. Lee, c and b Kitchell 0

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M.L. Razack, st A. Zimmerman, b Hart-Baker 45
K. Nazian, c A. Zimmerman, b Barrow 12
A.R. Kitchell, c Davidson, b Lee 10
S.A. Ismail, not out 39
A.R. Sufiuddin, b Hart-Baker 1
A.K. Ismail, b F.R. Zimmerman 6
A.R. Ahlaz, b F.R. Zimmerman 6
A. el Arculli, not out 9

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FRANCIS WU'S STUDIO
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SAINTS EDGE OUT ARMY, CLUB LOSE TO POLICE

Reputations crashed badly in the local soccer world yesterday, when upsets featured all three Senior Division Challenge Shield games.

The biggest upset of the afternoon was the defeat of Club who, playing at home, lost to Police by three goals to one.

St. Joseph's, who met Army at Sookunpoo, were decidedly lucky to qualify for the next round as the result of a narrow 4-3 victory, the winning goal being scored two minutes from time.

In a one-sided game at Caroline Hill, Kit Chee trounced a strong Eastern XI by six goals to three.

St. Joseph's 4—Army 3

After being completely outplayed in the first half, St. Joseph's staged a remarkable recovery in the second half to eliminate the Army from the Senior Challenge Shield by four goals to three.

The forward line of the Saints, with Hau Kong-sing leading the attack, was notably weak. The forward lacked shooting power, all four goals being netted from close quarters.

Knock, the Army centre forward was easily the most outstanding player on view. He was a good schemer, possessed a good shot and scored all three of the Army's goals.

Army raided from the start, but Leonard broke up this attack and sent Omar off down the left to a centre to Hau who slipped the ball past the goalkeeper to open the score for the Saints with the game two minutes old.

Shocked by this early goal, the Army went into the attack and Brown was tested with a terrible shot which he cleared in good style.

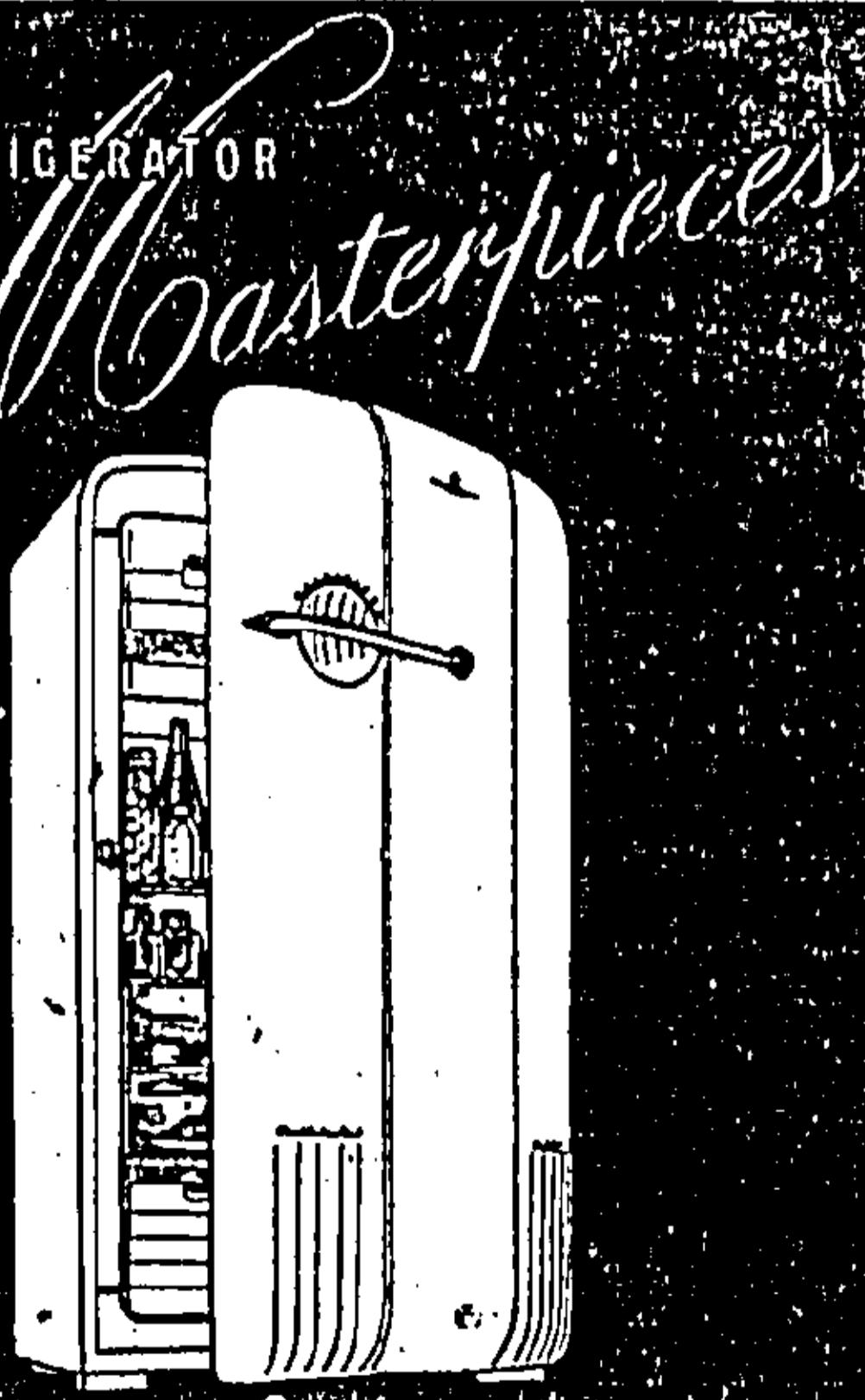
Continuing their attacks, Army obtained the equaliser when Knock received a neat pass from the right, beat Brown with a terrific rising shot.

The Army kept pogging away at the Saints' goal and Leonard and his defenders were given a resounding time. Not long after this, Knock netted the Army's second goal after Brown had failed to hold a high shot.

Knock almost secured the "hat trick" at this stage. Receiving a fine centre from the left, he spun round and sent in a terrible drive only to see the ball hit the crossbar with Brown out of position.

Over the other end, Xavier streaked down the right like lightning and centred the ball to Gomes, and was in a favourable shooting position, but the latter hesitated and his shot was blocked by a defender.

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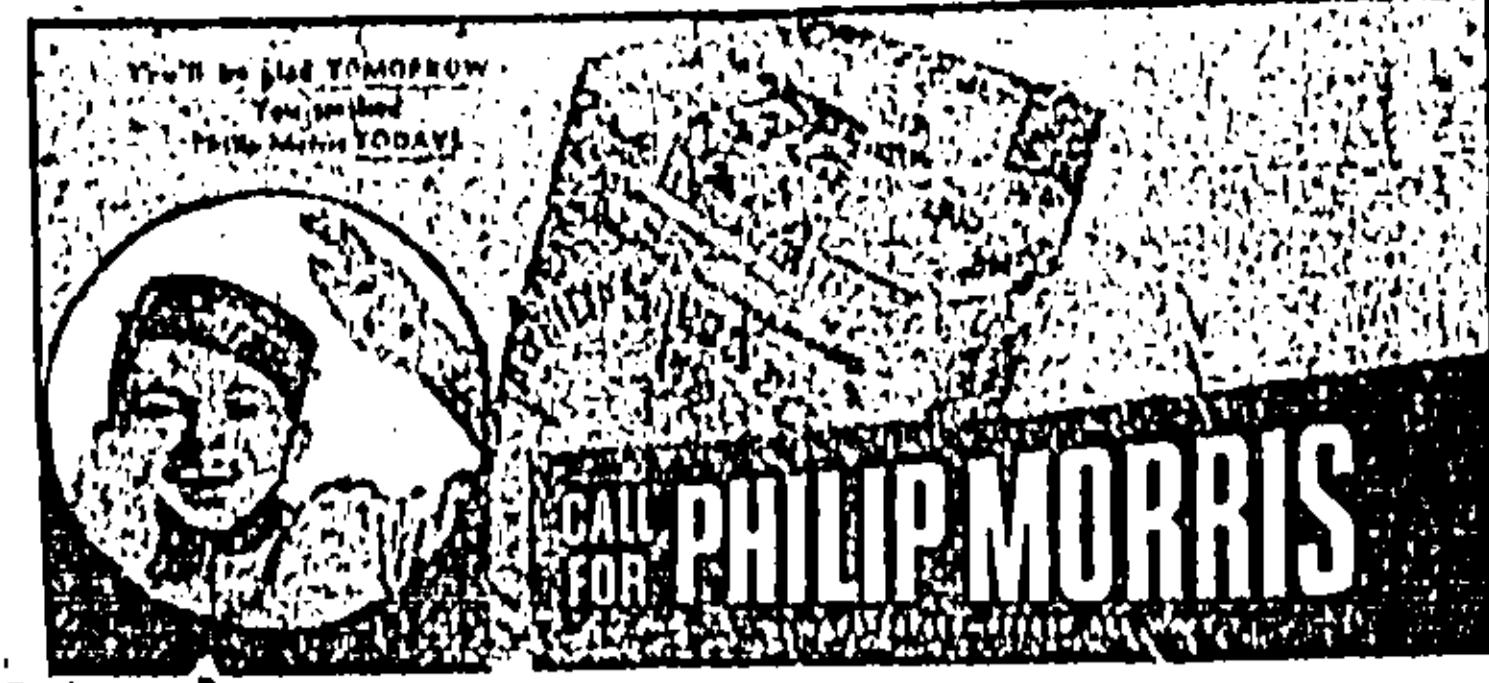
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HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, January 8.

The following are the results of football matches played today.

FA Cup—Third Round

Arsenal	3	Spurs	0	Barrow	2
Villa	1	Bolton	1	Accrington	0
Barnsley	0	Blackpool	1	Wrexham	1
Birmingham	1	Leicester	1	Chester	0
Blackburn	1	Hull	2	Doncaster	3
Brentford	3	Middlesbrough	2		
Bristol C.	1	Chelsea	3		
Burnley	2	Charlton	1		
Crewe	0	Sunderland	1		
Derby	4	Southport	2		
Everton	1	Manchester C.	0		
Fulham	0	Walsall	1		
Gateshead	3	Aldershot	1		
Grimsby	1	Exeter	1		
Leeds	1	Newport	3		
Lincoln	0	West Brom	1		
Luton	3	Went Ham	1		
Manchester U.	0	Bournemouth	0		
Newcastle	2	Bradford	2		
Notts F.	2	Liverpool	1		
Oldham	2	Cardiff	3		
Notts C.	0	Notts C.	1		
Plymouth	7	Stockport	1		
Preston	2	Mansfield	1		
Queen's P.R.	0	Huddersfield	2		
Rotherham	4	Dundee	1		
Sheffield U.	5	East Stirling	3		
Sheffield W.	2	Kilmarnock	1		
Southend U.	1	Hamilton Acad.	3		
Torquay	1	Stirling A.	1		
Wolves	0	Queen's Park	1		
Yeovil Town	3	St. John's	1		
		Dunfermline	0		

Third Division—Northern

Bradford C	0	Barrow	2
Hartlepool	1	Accrington	0
Wrexham	1	Chester	0
York City	2	Doncaster	3

Scottish League—"A"

Aberdeen	2	Third Lanark	2
Albion Rovers	2	Partick Th.	1
Clyde	4	St. Mirren	3
East Fife	2	Hibernian	1
Hearts	0	Dundee	0
Morton	0	Celtic	0
Queen O'South	0	Falkirk	0
Rangers	2	Motherwell	0

Scottish League—"B"

Airthrea	2	Alloa Athletic	1
Ayr United	0	St. Johnstone	1
Cowdenbeath	5	Airdrie	1
Dundee United	4	Dumbarton	0
East Stirling	3	Kilmarnock	1
Hamilton Acad.	3	Stirling A.	1
Queen's Park	1	Raith Rovers	1
Stenhouse	3	Dunfermline	3

Friendly Matches

Carlisle U.	2	Tranmere R.	1
Hull's Town	2	Fochabers	1
Millwall	0	Ipswich Town	0
Southend U.	3	Leyton Orient	0
Swansea Town	1	Bristol Rovers	2

—Reuter.

Third Division—Southern

Palace 0 Rendlesham 1 Port Vale 3 Watford 1

1949 Racing Carnival Plans Completed

(By "RAPIER")

Arrangements have now been completed for the 1949 Racing Carnival at the Valley on Saturday, January 15, Monday, January 17, Tuesday, January 18, Wednesday, January 19 and Saturday, January 22.

The first saddling bell will ring each day at 11.30 a.m. with the first race starting at 12 noon sharp. There are 10 races each day and the tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.). The fifth race begins at 3.30 p.m.

The Officials of the Hong Kong Jockey Club have spared no effort in looking to the comfort of visitors and those who attend the meeting may be certain of spending a delightful few days in very pleasant surroundings.

There have been 138 new Australian Subscription Griffins in training, not counting the old brigade. It is, of course, obvious to all concerned that it is most difficult to predict with any degree of certainty which pony is likely to win.

There are certain factors to be considered which are important of which is no doubt for position, especially by the sprint events.

Constant Attendance

Racing fans may, however, rest assured that the views expressed in these columns have been arrived at as the result of constant attendance at the Valley during the morning gallops. I shall confine myself only to those that, to judge from the form displayed in the morning gallops, promise to turn out winners.

The chief interest will, of course, be centred upon the Hong Kong Derby, which has attracted 60 entries out of the above-mentioned ponies and his stable connection are quietly confident that he will be there at the finish, so keep him in mind.

Only those stationed directly opposite the finishing post are able to judge correctly the finish of a race. Those standing in any other position often get a totally wrong view.

"Errors have been known in the past in judgments with the human eye, though these have been rare. The Photo Finish, however, is foolproof and is the final arbiter, from whose decision there can be no dispute," said Mr. D.L. Vinal, when seen by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

The Photo Finish camera will be a permanent record of what actually took place, said Mr. Vinal.

The installation, when completed, will be operated by Mr. R.A. Watson and his assistants, while the technical upkeep and maintenance will be in the hands of the British General Electric Company.

Mr. Vinal said that 18 out of 50 race courses in England have

so far installed Photo Finish apparatus installed, and for the shortage of building materials, more would have been completed by now.

Photo Finish first made its appearance at Epsom Downs at the Spring meeting of 1947, when it was a complete success. Thereafter it was installed in France, Sweden, Italy, Accra, Bagdad.

Photo Finish was also installed at the last Olympic Games under the personal supervision of Mr. Vinal.

Cost of the camera and equipment is from £2,500 to £3,000.

Photo Finish Installed At Race Course

The mechanical eye will in future replace the human eye in deciding the winners in horse racing at Happy Valley.

This mechanical eye is the Photo Finish, a special camera now being installed for the first time at the Jockey Club at Happy Valley.

Its function is to photograph the finish of each and every race so as to produce a record of the exact order of the arrival of the horses at the finishing post.

The camera consists of a gadget placed in front of the finishing post. It is operated from an operating room on the roof of the racing stand, a distance of some 50 yards away.

The installation is being undertaken by The Race Finish Recording Company Ltd., London, whose general manager, Mr. D.L. Vinal, has been in Hong Kong for the past month supervising the work. It will be ready for the annual races commencing on January 15. Yesterday workmen were busily putting the finishing touches to the operating room.

Only those stationed directly opposite the finishing post are able to judge correctly the finish of a race. Those standing in any other position often get a totally wrong view.

"Errors have been known in the past in judgments with the human eye, though these have been rare. The Photo Finish, however, is foolproof and is the final arbiter, from whose decision there can be no dispute," said Mr. D.L. Vinal, when seen by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

The Photo Finish camera will be a permanent record of what actually took place, said Mr. Vinal.

The installation, when completed, will be operated by Mr. R.A. Watson and his assistants, while the technical upkeep and maintenance will be in the hands of the British General Electric Company.

Mr. Vinal said that 18 out of 50 race courses in England have

so far installed Photo Finish apparatus installed, and for the shortage of building materials, more would have been completed by now.

Photo Finish first made its appearance at Epsom Downs at the Spring meeting of 1947, when it was a complete success. Thereafter it was installed in France, Sweden, Italy, Accra, Bagdad.

Photo Finish was also installed at the last Olympic Games under the personal supervision of Mr. Vinal.

Cost of the camera and equipment is from £2,500 to £3,000.